

# THOMISANA

1953







*Through the years our thoughts will return to . . . .*



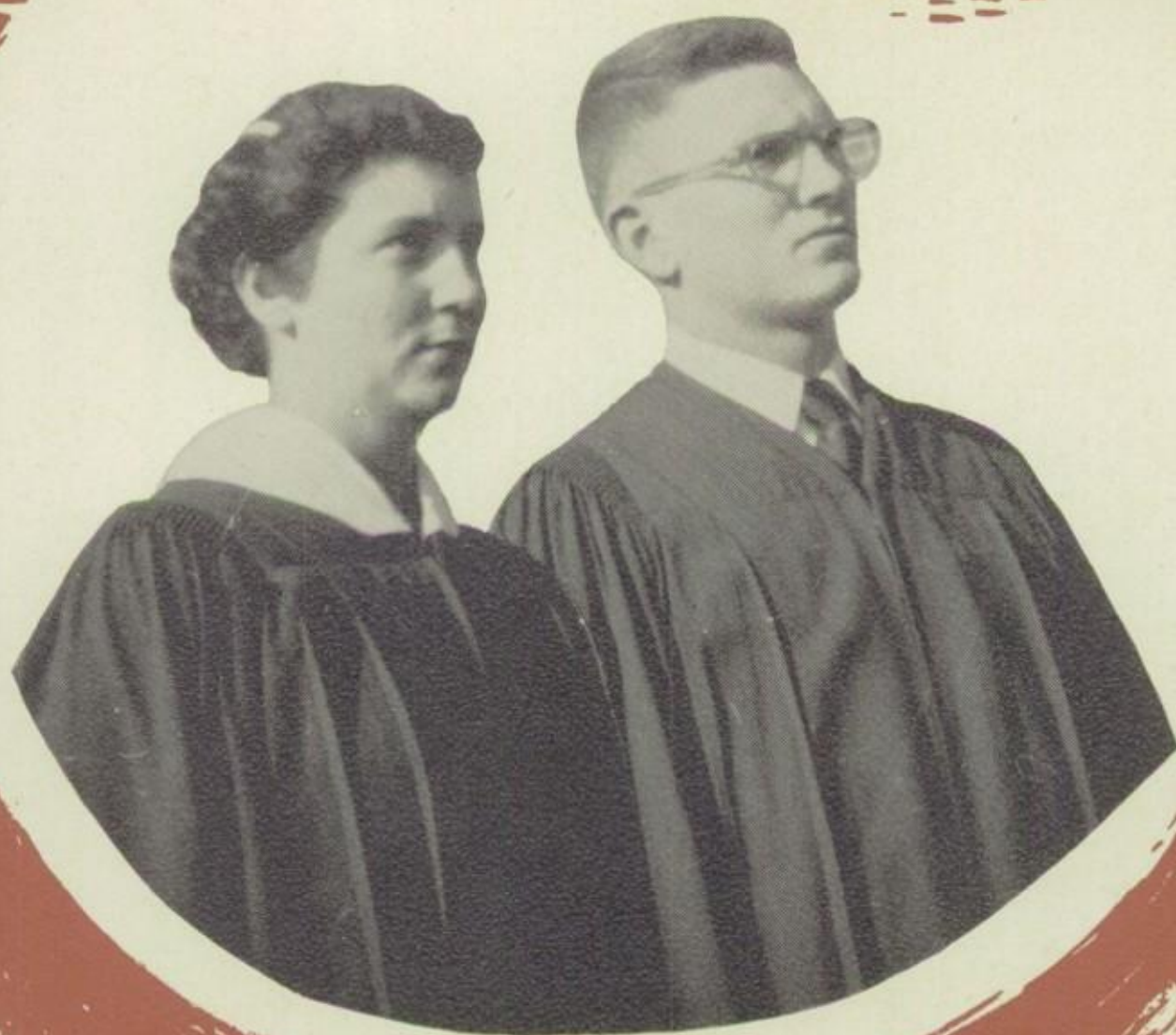






THE STUDENTS OF THOMASVILLE  
HIGH SCHOOL

View  
the Vistas





in the pages of the  
1953

Thomasiana

THOMASVILLE HIGH SCHOOL  
THOMASVILLE, ALABAMA



In choosing our theme for the 1953 THOMISANA, we selected  
what we thought we'd miss most when we leave our school—

Our homes nestled among the rolling hills — hence — the  
HILLS OF HOMES . . . . .

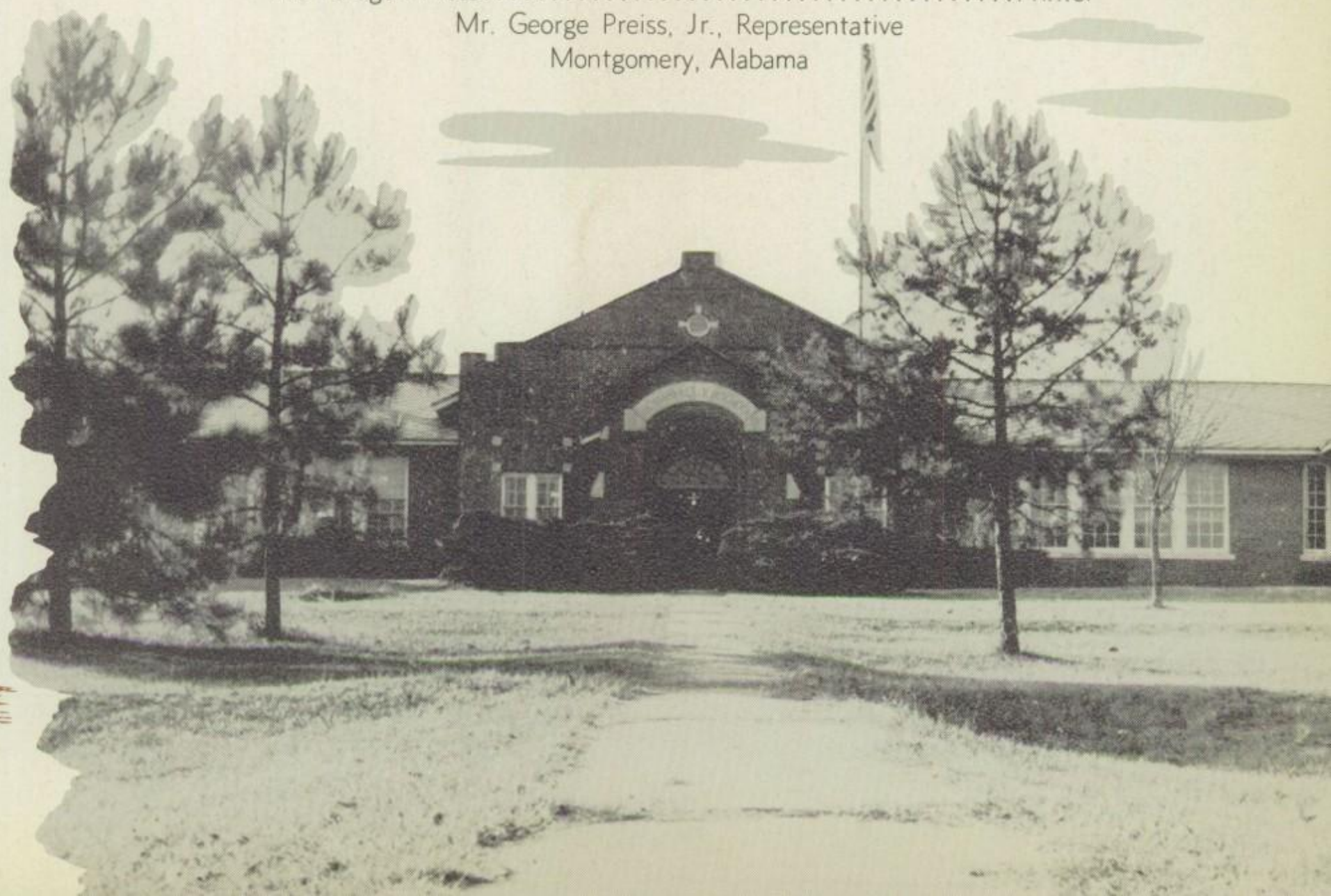
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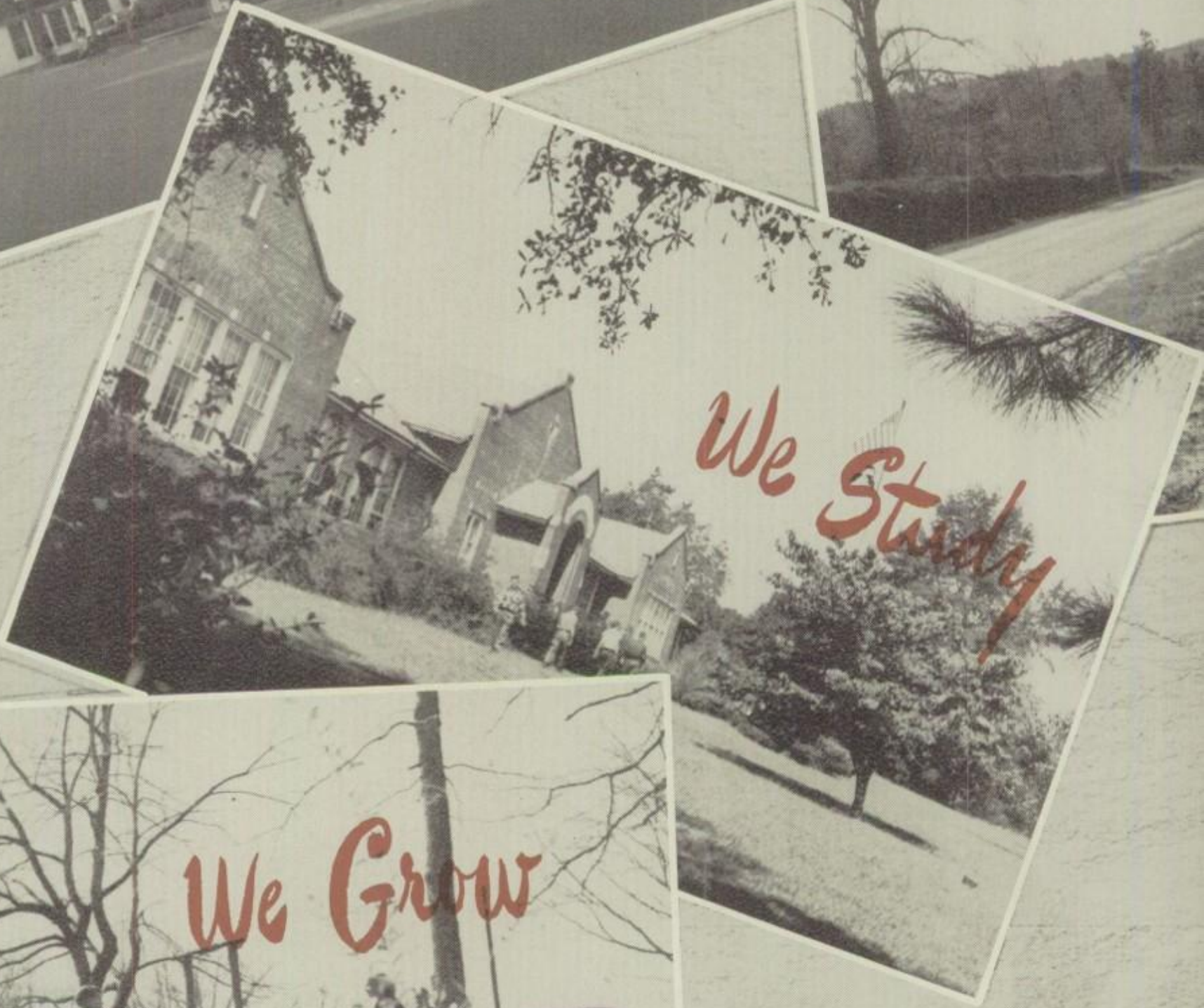


# of the Hills of

We Teach



We Study



We Grow





# Home where....



*We Play*



*We Compete*



*We Charm*



*We Work*

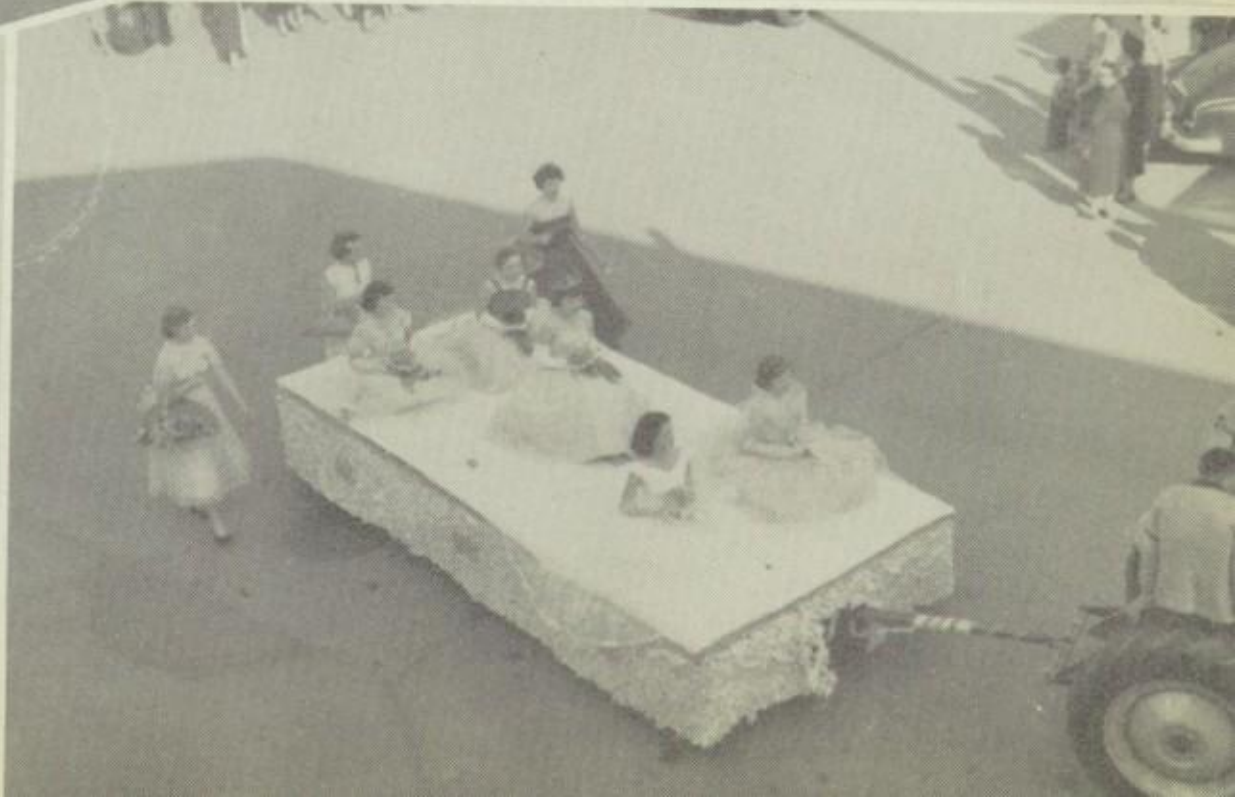
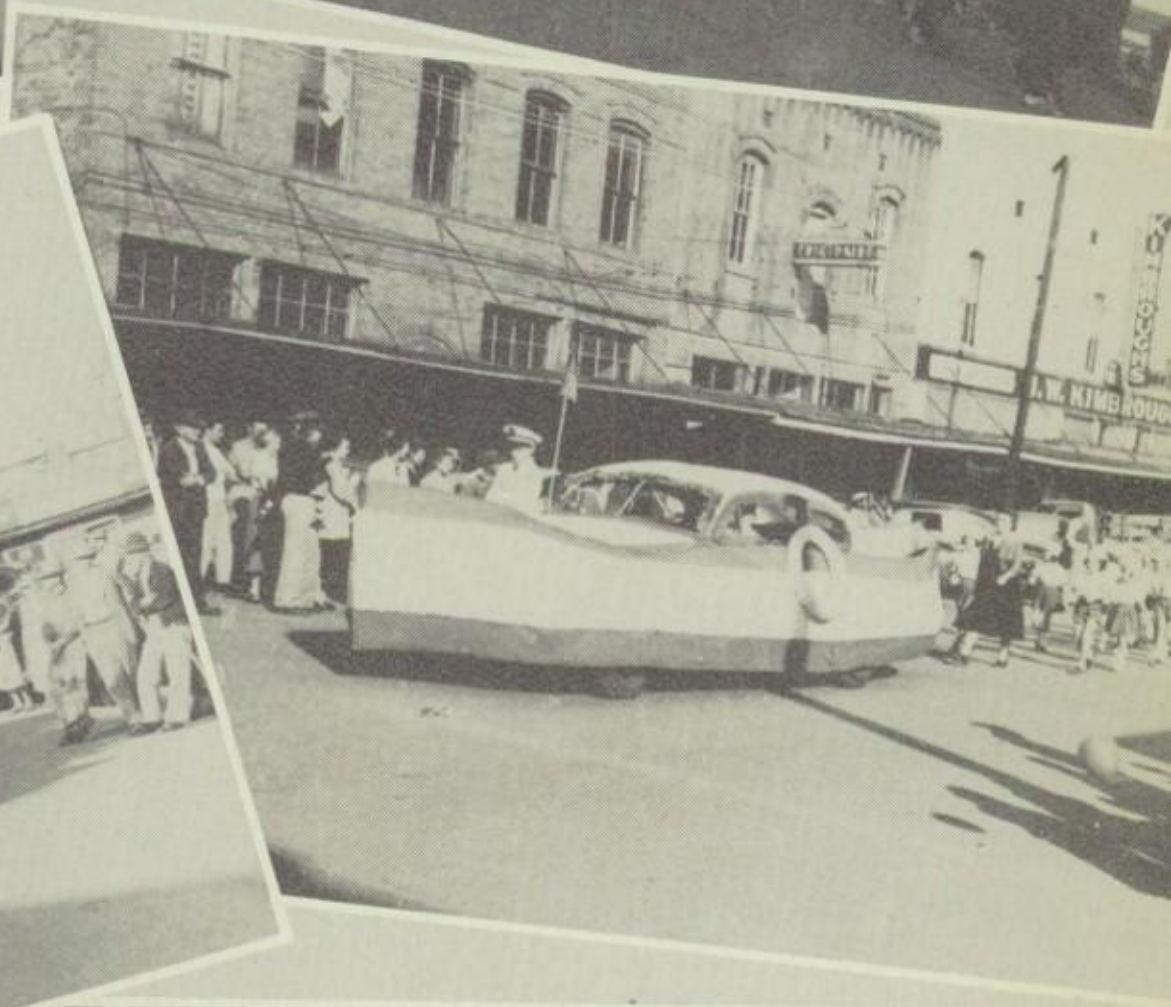


*We introduce our book with*





# *the 1952 Homecoming Event --*





# *Dedication*

Because you are fair and just —

Because you think of us as your own —

Because you want us to be the best —

Because you live and work for others, rather than self —

Because you stand up and fight for your beliefs —

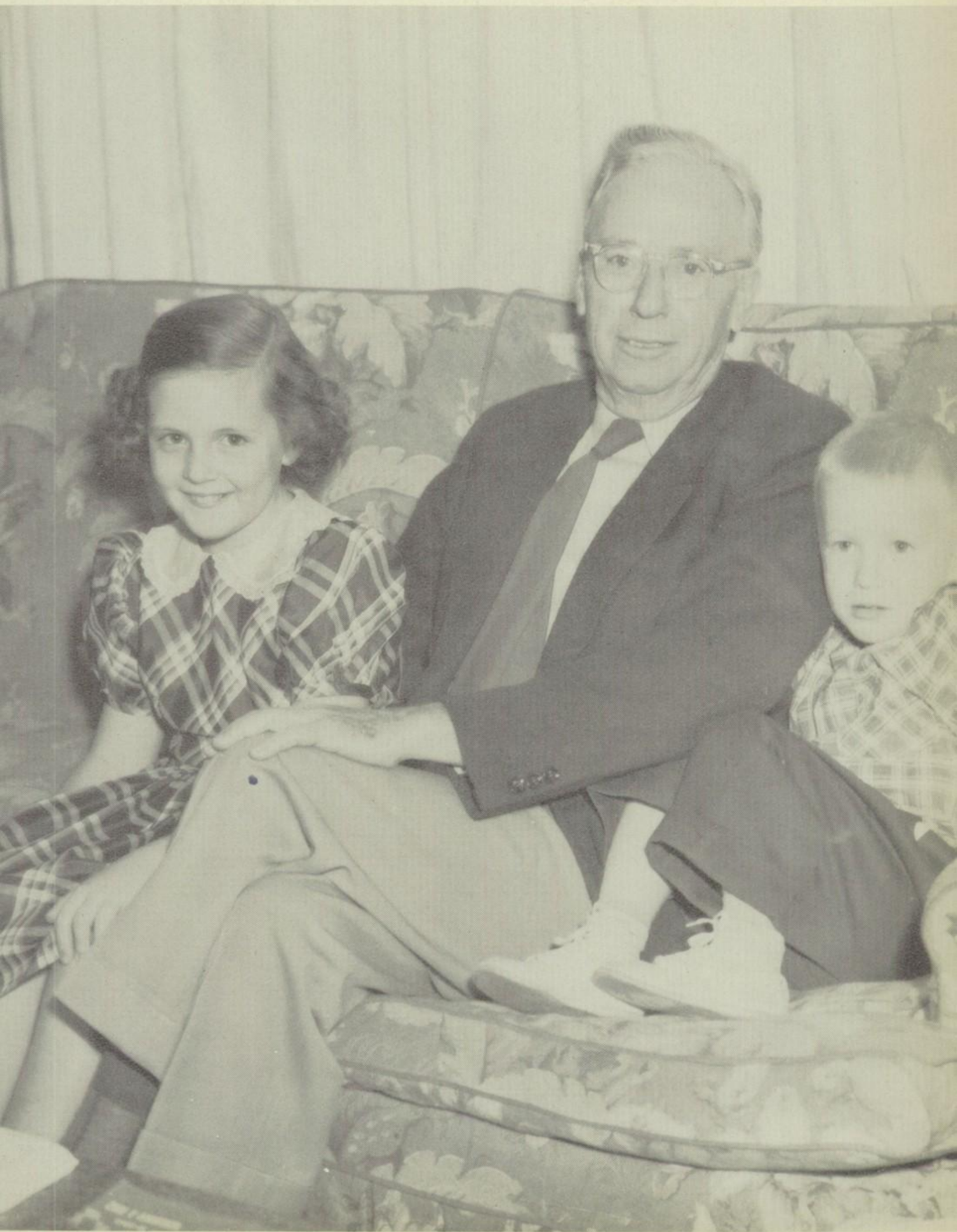
Because of your position as an educator, a citizen, and  
the head of a Christian home —

Because of all these things we dedicate this the

1953 Thomisana to you, Mr. N. O. Smyth.









*We teach*

*-- about the hills!*





# Faculty and Administration

HOME REFLECTS  
THE SPIRIT OF FRIENDLINESS  
AND GOOD WILL







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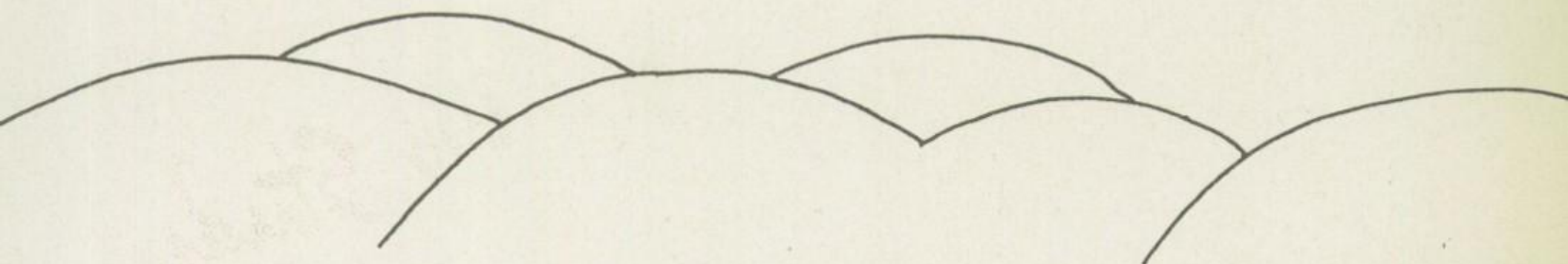
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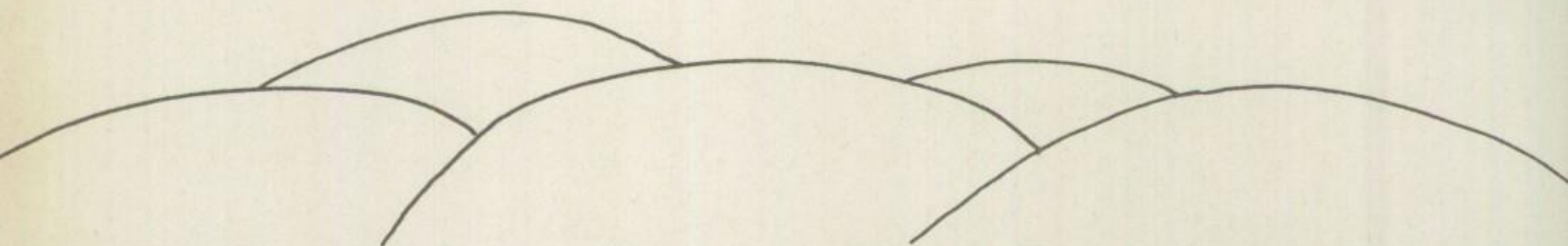
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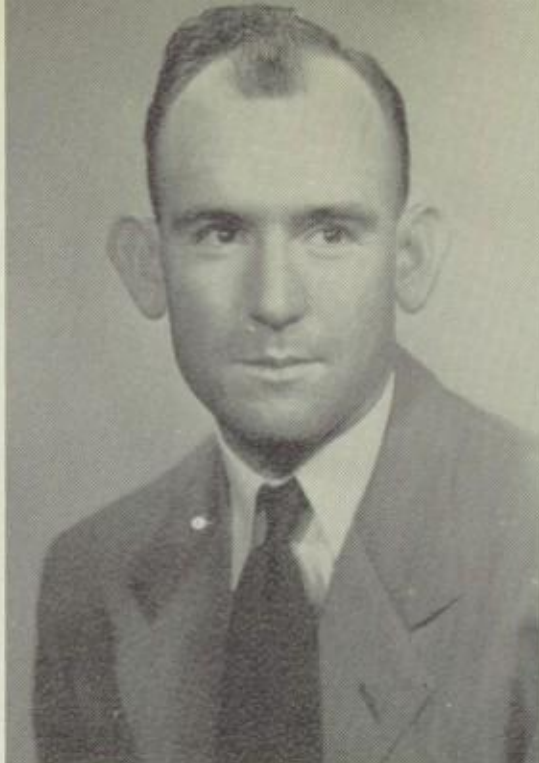
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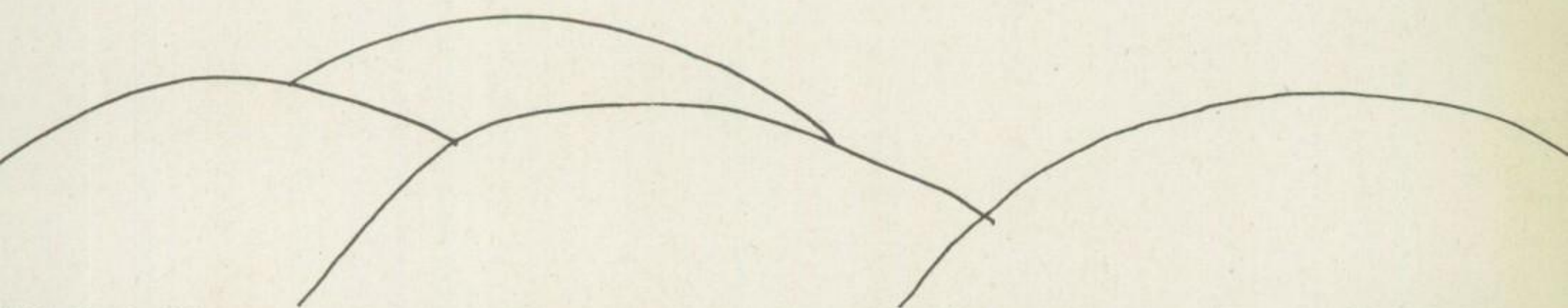
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Third Grade

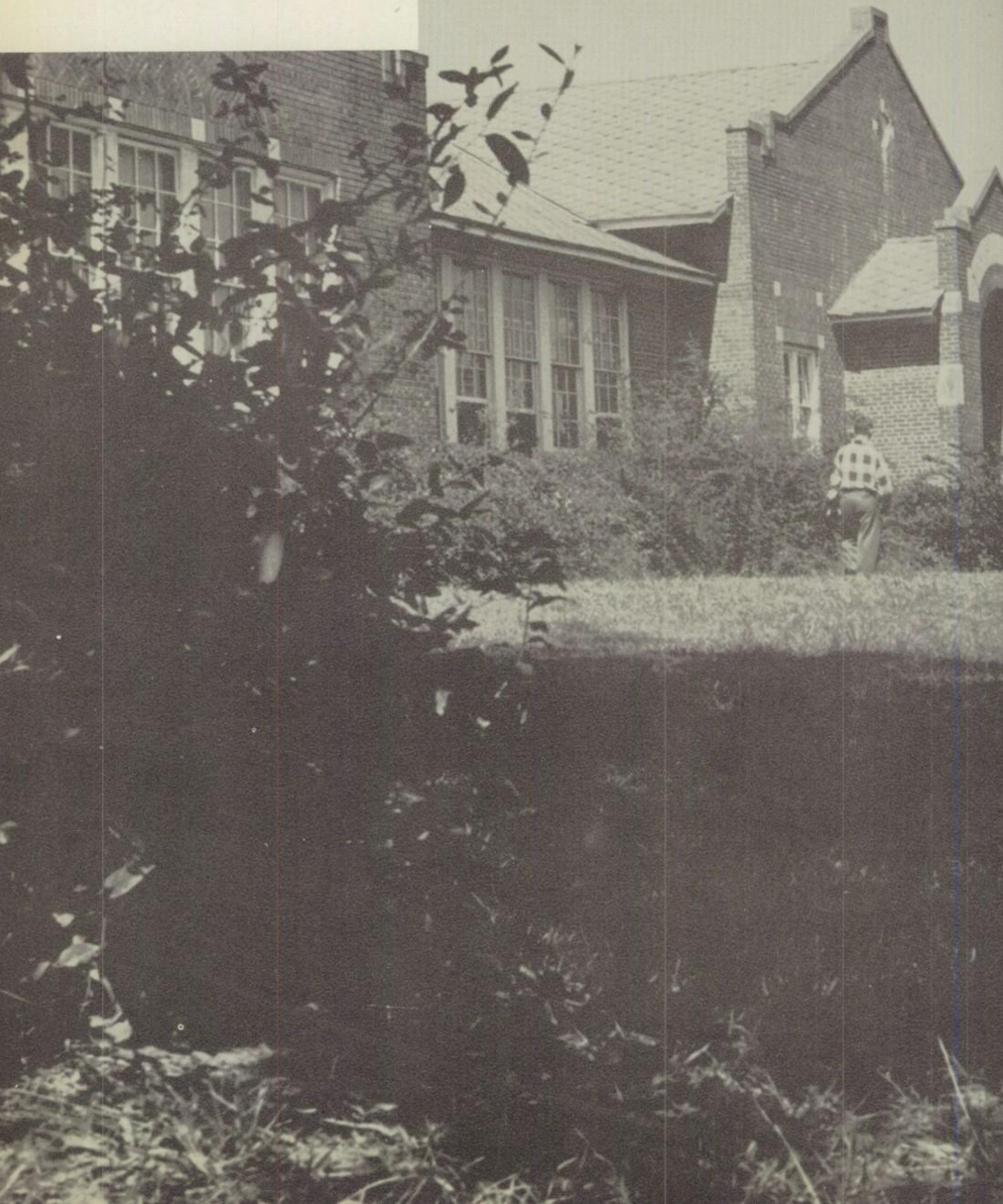
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Teachers College  
Sixth Grade





*We study*

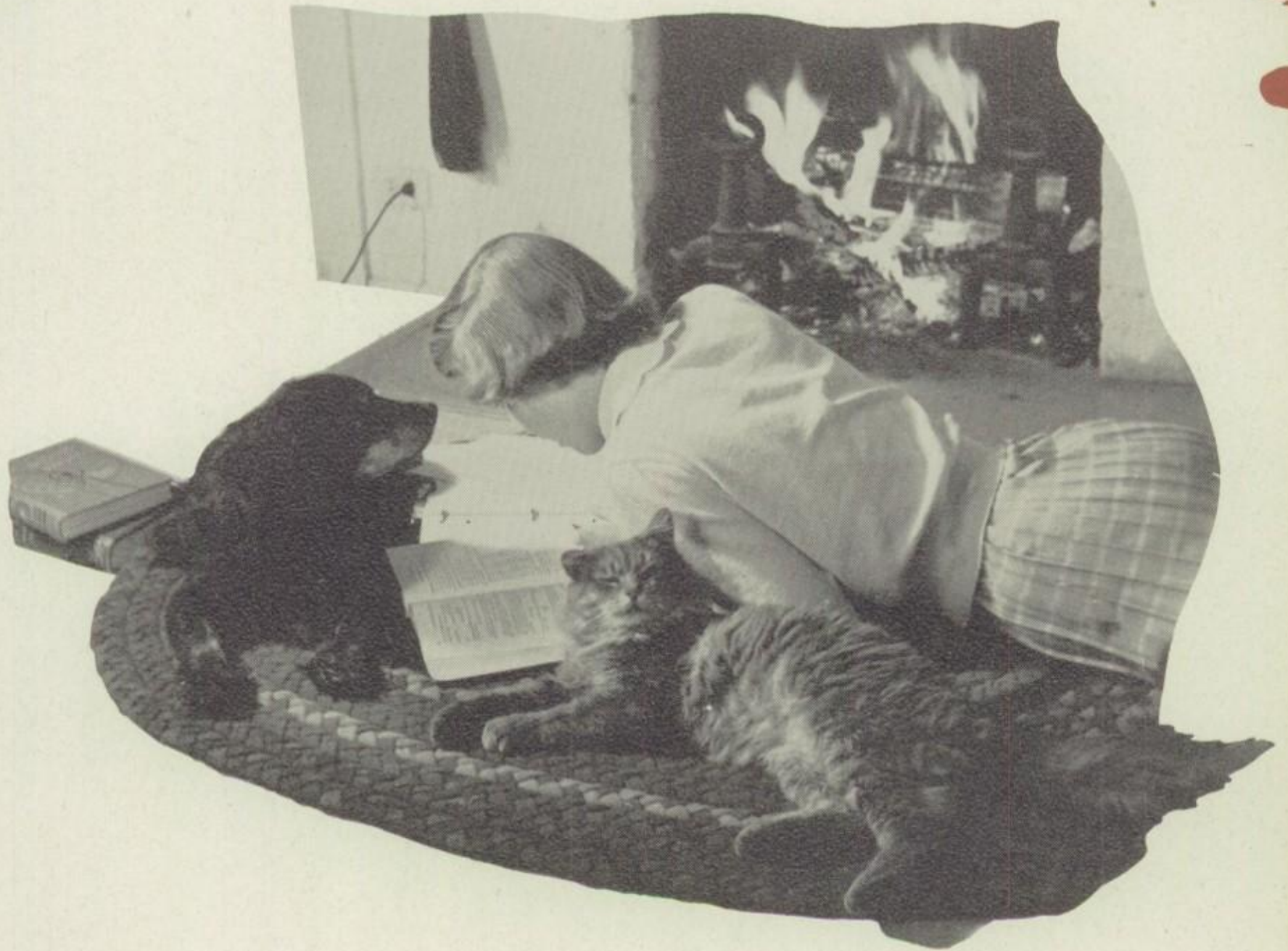
*-- on top of the hill!*





# Classes

HOME IS THE PLACE  
WHERE WE CAN FEEL  
WE HAVE A SPOT OF OUR OWN





# *The Seniors*





In September of 1942 we, the Seniors, had our first look at this hill called education. It was on this date we planted one foot firmly upon the first of a series of twelve steps up this hill that seemed so strange. As we have slowly ascended this hill by climbing one step each year we have lost many who began the climb with us. Now, there are only 18 of us who stand on the top and gaze down the hill.



We can recall many wonderful experiences as—graduation from grammar school, our Junior and Senior Play and all the parties we have had. But no—the climb was not always easy. Many times we slipped and fell or should we say failed. We have had to study to keep up the pace but we are proud of the scholastic average of our class. We are proud of the fine athletes we have produced up this climb.

#### SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

President .....	Billy Kimbrough
Vice-President .....	Dot Smith
Secretary .....	Bettye Deaton
Treasurer .....	Singleton Doyle
Reporter .....	Carole Kirk

We realize we are ready to begin the climb of another hill on which much depends on how we have used these 12 steps. For many of us the way is not yet clear. A very high percentage of us plan to climb the hill of higher education, others to climb the hill called life's work; but one thing is certain for most of us—we will leave these beloved "Hills of Home." As we begin this new climb we can "look unto the hills from whence cometh my help."





# *The Seniors*

WILLIAM G. BURGE. Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

MARY ANNA CASSITY. F.H.A. 1; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Majorette 2; Favorite in Thomisana 2, 3; Who's Who in Thomisana 3.

DON W. CHAMPION. F.F.A. 1, 2; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; D.O. 3.

BILL DAVIDSON. Band 2, 3, 4 (Captain 4); Tomahawk Staff 1, 3 (Assistant Editor 3); Thomisana Staff 4; Student Council Rep. 1.

## *Senior's Home At School*



GENE DAVIS. Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Student Council Rep. 3; Who's Who in Thomisana 3; Boy's State 3.

BETTYE DEATON. Beta Club 2, 3, 4 (President 4); F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (President 3); Thomisana Staff 3, 4 (Cabinet); Tomahawk Staff 3; Cheerleader 3, 4; Glee Club; Favorite in Thomisana 2, 3, 4; Who's Who in Thomisana 3; Secretary 4; Vice-President 1, 2; Girl's State 3; Student Council 4.

## *Our Homeroom Workers*







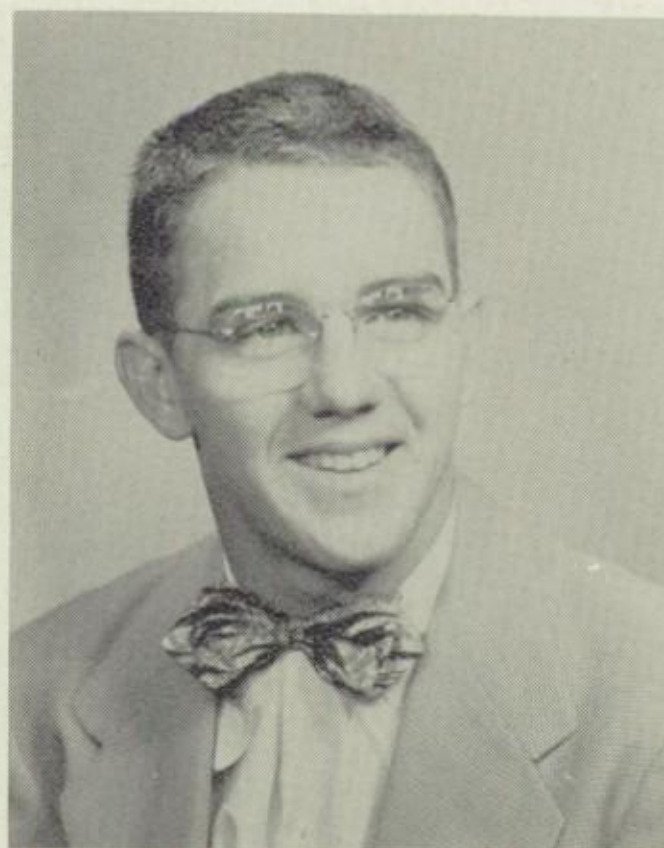
WILLIAM GREY BURGE



MARY ANNA CASSITY



DON CHAMPION



BILL DAVIDSON



GENE DAVIS



BETTYE DEATON



# *The Seniors*

SINGLETON DOYLE. Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4 (Co-Captain 4); Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain 4); Thomisana 2, 4; Student Council 4; Band 2, 3; Vice-President 2, Treasurer 4; Glee Club 4; Who's Who in Thomisana 3.

JULIA GARRETT. F.H.A. 1, 2, 3; Music 1, 2, 3, 4.

BILLY KIMBROUGH. Beta Club 2, 3, 4 (Vice-President 4); Football 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain 4); Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4 (Co-Captain 4); Baseball 2, 3, 4; Thomisana 2, 3, 4 (Business Manager 4); Class President 3, 4; Student Council 2, 3 (Vice-President 3); Boy's State 3.

CAROLE KIRK. Beta Club 2, 3, 4 (Secretary 4); F.H.A. 1, 4; Thomisana Staff 2, 3, 4 (Editor 4); Cheerleader 4; Tomahawk Staff 1; Glee Club; Who's Who in Thomisana 3; Class Reporter 2, 4; Student Council Rep. 3; Band 2, 3, 4.

## *Seniors Measure for Caps and Gowns*



LEON LYLES. F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4.

DOT McHENRY. F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 3; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Thomisana Staff 3, 4; Tomahawk Staff (Art Editor 4); Thomisana Who's Who 3; Class Reporter 1.

## *Relaxing Mood*



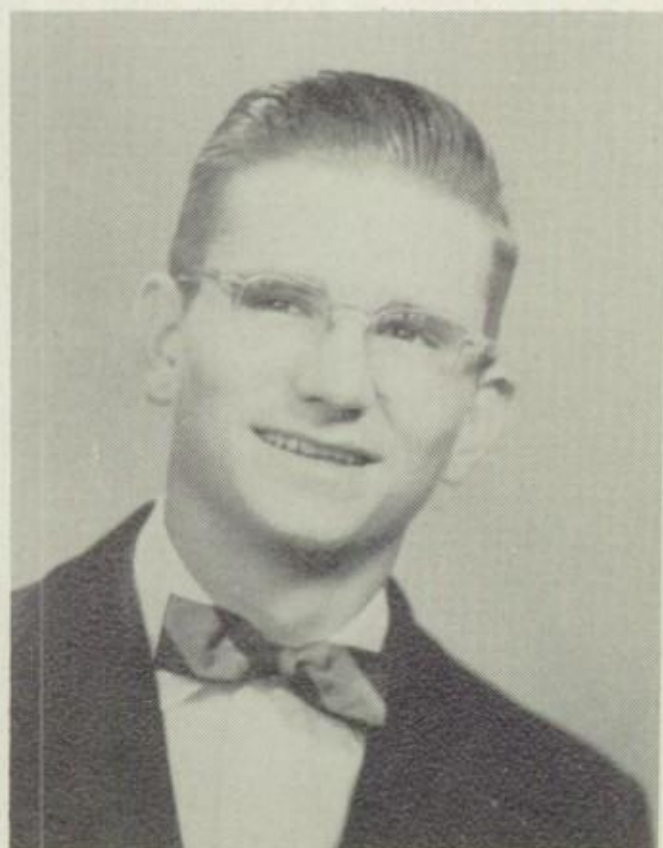




SINGLETON DOYLE



JULIA ANN GARRETT



BILLY KIMBROUGH



CAROLE KIRK



LEON LYLES



DOT McHENRY



# *The Seniors*

ALICE MEGGINSON. Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Reporter 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 3; Thomisana Staff 3, 4; Homecoming Maid 4; Tomahawk Staff; Associated Industry of Alabama, essay winner; Thomisana Who's Who 3, 4; Glee Club 4; Class Secretary 1; Music Club. -

DOT SMITH. F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Vice-President 3); Beta Club 2, 3, 4 (Treasurer 4); Tomahawk Staff 1; Cheerleader 3, 4; Thomisana Staff 2, 3, 4; Class Vice-President 1, 4; Student Council President 4; Girl's State 3; Who's Who 3; Feature Section 3.

GAINES SMITH. Football 1, 2, 3, 4.

HOPIE SMITH. F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Reporter 3); Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Thomisana Staff 3; Tomahawk Staff (Editor 4); Thomisana Who's Who 3.

## *A Mighty Senior*



JIM SMITH. Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Reporter 1; Thomisana Staff 2; Glee Club 4; Who's Who in Thomisana 3.

JOSIE MERLE STEPHENS. F.H.A. 2; Tomahawk Staff (Business Manager 4).

## *What Did You Get?*







ALICE MEGGINSON



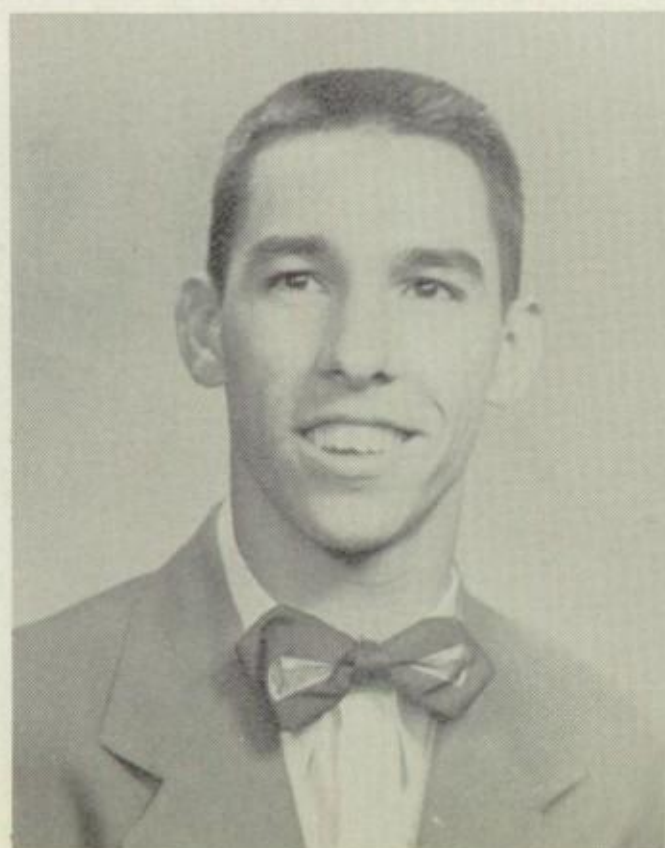
DOT SMITH



GAINES SMITH



HOPIE SMITH



JIM SMITH



JOSIE MERLE STEPHENS



# The Juniors

## CLASS OFFICERS

President ..... Faye Robinson  
Vice-President ..... Joe Ingram  
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Betty Jean Rutledge  
Reporter ..... Anna McDonald

The Junior class of '53 is the largest of the upper three grades. The majority of the class has been together from the first, now we are nearing the end of our high school days together. We look back and remember the past few years together as happy years, and we hope that the remainder of this year, and next years will be as happy as the ones we have enjoyed previously.



The Juniors displayed their spirit of cooperation, thriftiness, and industry when we put on, with great success, a spaghetti supper to raise funds for the election of the Halloween King and Queen. We also have big plans for the Junior-Senior Banquet. Next year we will be the Senior Class and I think we are well prepared for the burden that is bestowed upon us as such.



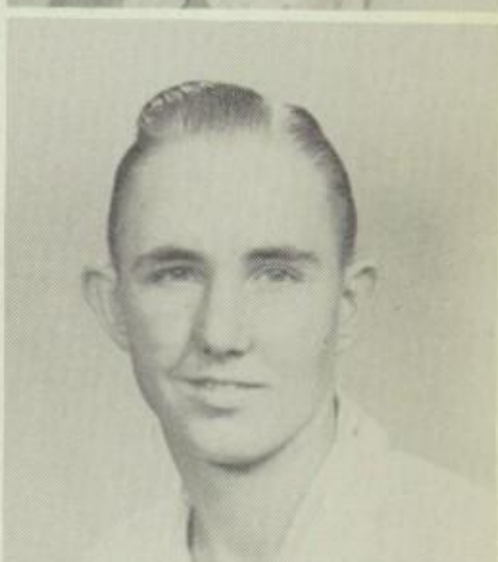
Margaret Armstead  
Bobby Bishop  
Tommie Boulter



Bardee Burge  
Bobby G. Byars  
Jeannene Crenshaw



Betty Crowe  
Ed Davidson  
Jimmy R. Davis



Ramona Day  
Gwendolyn Donhost  
Clyde Gaddy



Eugene Goodman  
Nolan Hamilton  
Floyd Harper





Harold Haskew  
Bobby Ingram  
Joe Ingram



Elsie J. Johnson  
Ann Larrimore  
Anna McDonald



Boyd Megginson  
Arrie B. Newton  
Faye Robinson



Betty J. Rutledge  
Charles Rush  
Shirley Slade



Mary Wade  
Joe Wilkerson  
Ruby J. Wilson





# The Sophomores

President ..... Russel Cogle  
Vice-President ..... Bill Doyle  
Secretary ..... Ann Reid  
Treasurer ..... Deanna Phillips  
Reporter ..... Joel Megginson



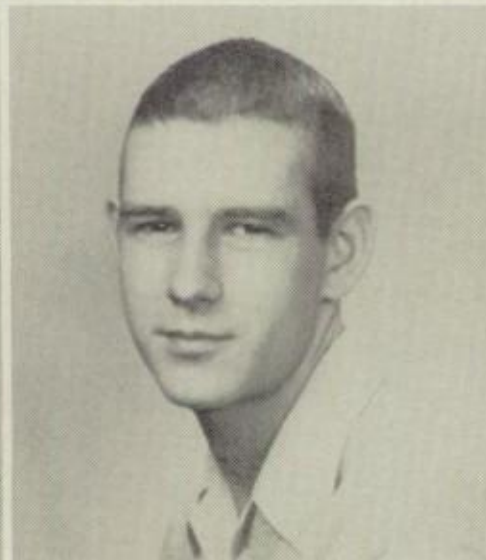
The Sophomore class of '53 has been unusually active this year. They were well represented in the band, Beta Club, on the Annual Staff and the paper staff.

This year they journeyed to Mobile during Mardi Gras. The Azalia Trail was also visited by the class.

Several members of the class attended the Alabama High School Press Association at the University of Alabama in the fall. The Beta Club convention in Birmingham was honored by the presence of some of our scholars in April.







First Row: Ouida Faye Bagley, Gerald Champion, Russell Cogle, Robbie Fry Cook.

Second Row: Betty Davidson, Sally Deas, Lucy Belle Deaton, Bill Doyle.

Third Row: Manah Dozier, Carolyn Drinkard, Catherine Fendley, June Gardner.

Fourth Row: Nancy Gillaspie, Jimmy Hamilton, Billy Heslin, Catherine Hunt.

Fifth Row: Johnnie Ingram.





First Row: Marilyn Johnson, Hardie Kimbrough, Ann Lyles, Joyce Lyles.  
 Second Row: Award Maness, Mary Francis Maness, Lois McDonald, Joel Megginson.

Third Row: Avis Newsome, Raymond Newton, Deanna Phillips, Joyce Pugh.

Fourth Row: Ann Reid, Rex Rush, Harold Smith, Nelson Eddy Spinks.  
 Fifth Row: Naomi Wilkerson.





# The Freshmen

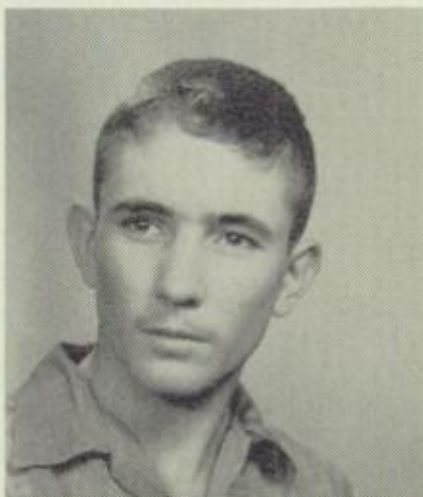
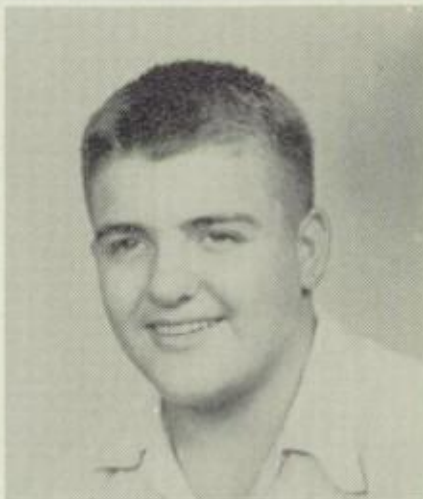
We have been progressing since we entered Junior High School. Miss Homecoming and Miss Future Homemaker of America were elected from our home room this year.

One of the majorettes is from our room. Several students in our room are in the band. One of the members that tried for State Band was from our room.



President.....	Patsy Ruth Reid
Vice-President .....	Leon Gaddy
Secretary-Treasurer .....	Joan Crim
Reporter .....	Marion Ott





First Row: Harold Agee, Shirley Bishop, Guy Cassity, Barbara Chaney.  
Second Row: Joan Crim, Shirley Davis, Leon Gaddy, Charles Hill.  
Third Row: Cecil Huckabee, Ward Jackson, Shirley Knight, Bobby Little.  
Fourth Row: Dolly Mott, Marion Ott, Louise Reid, Pat Reid.  
Fifth Row: Monroe Smith.





# *Eighth Grade*

Trenton Agee  
Bobby Baker  
Betty J. Byars  
Runell Crawford

Curtis Crenshaw  
Anne Davidson  
Mary E. Day  
Joyce Dungan

Betty Fendley  
Earlene Goodman  
Penn Hall  
Rex Jackson

Betty K. Jones  
Annette Knight  
Marilyn Knight  
Raford Knight

Margaret McIntyre  
Ervin Newsome  
Gloria Ott  
Barbara J. Pugh

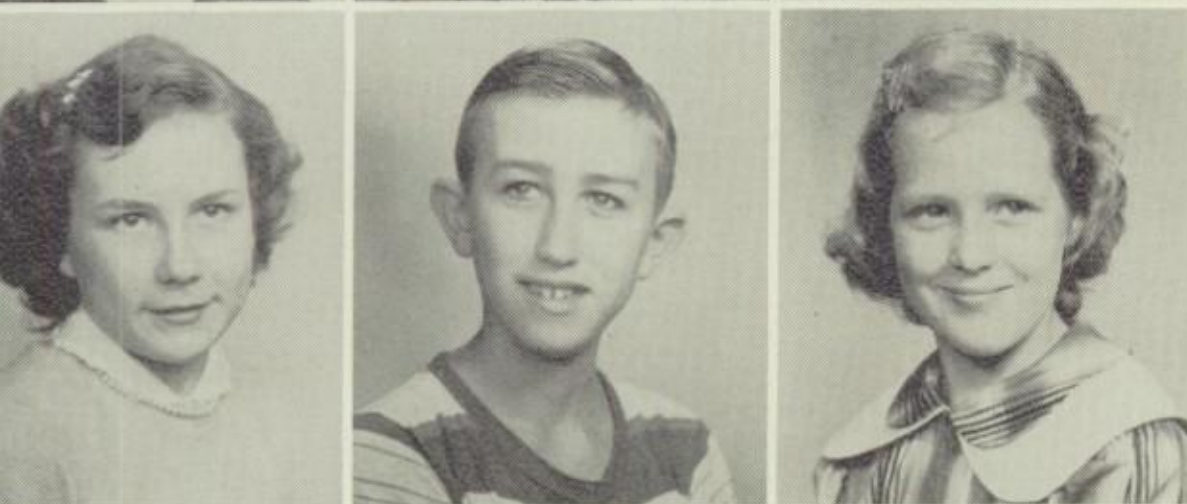
Butch Rotch  
Joyce Scarbrough  
Carole Slade  
Alvis Walker



# Seventh Grade



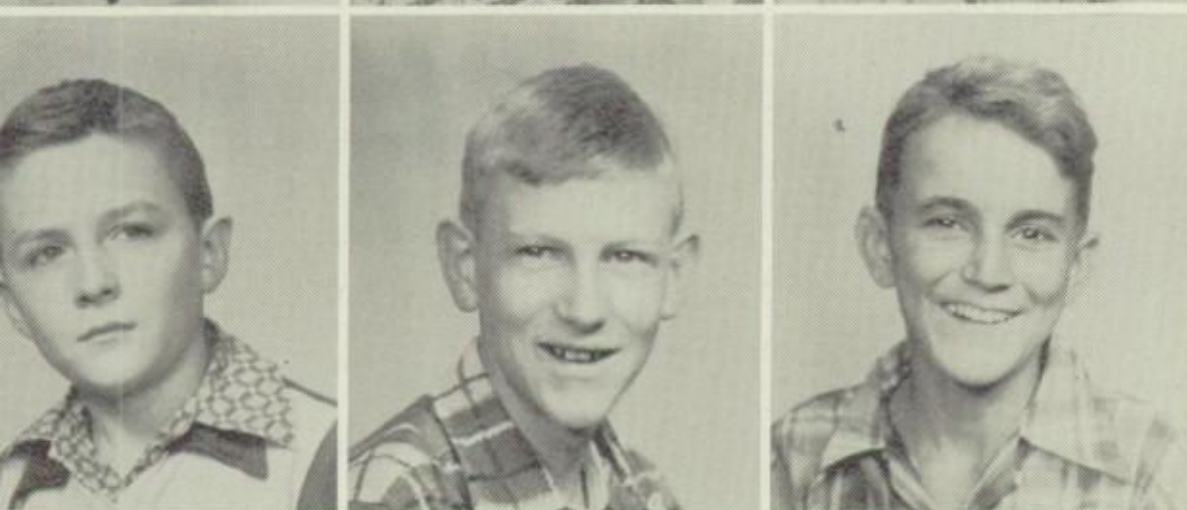
J. Andrews  
L. Armstead  
P. Brasfield



D. Odom  
M. Joiner  
R. N. Jones



M. N. Lawhorn  
J. Little  
C. Maness



E. R. Megginson  
T. Newton  
T. Newton



S. J. Slade  
L. Smith  
D. Wade



J. Wilcox  
C. Williams  
J. Willis

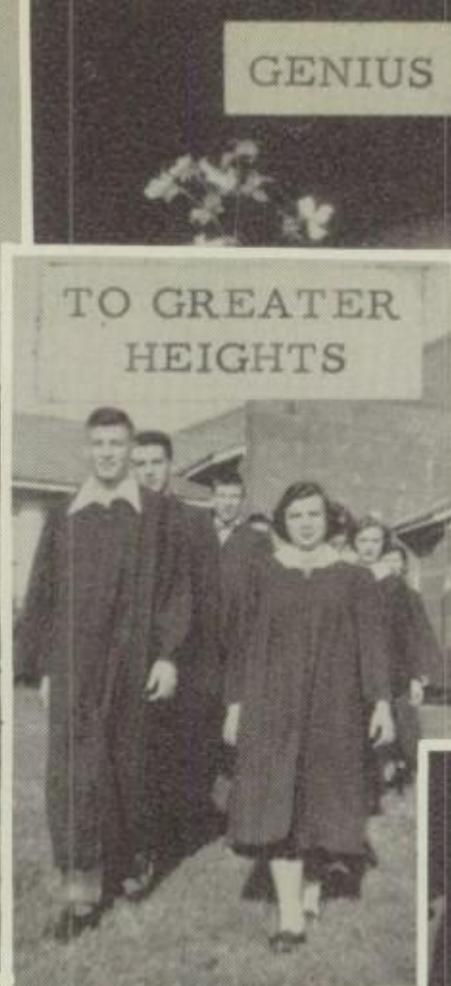




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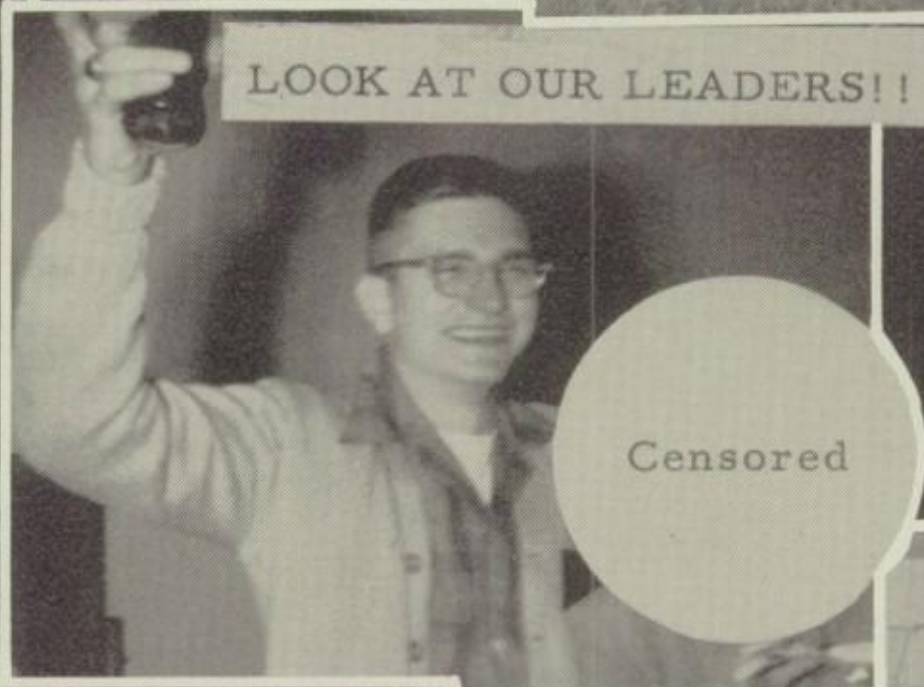
GOING UP?



TO GREATER HEIGHTS



SENATOR



LOOK AT OUR LEADERS!!

Censored



YES, DEAR



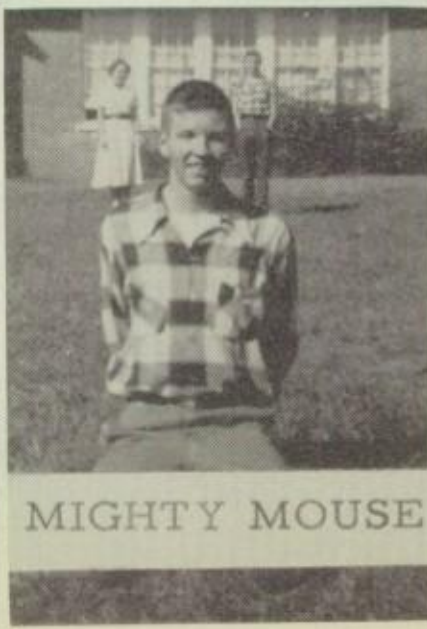
CAREFUL, BOYS!



OH! YOU SENIORS



MOVING ON



MIGHTY MOUSE



MERRY CHRISTMAS



SCENERY



LONG LONG AGO



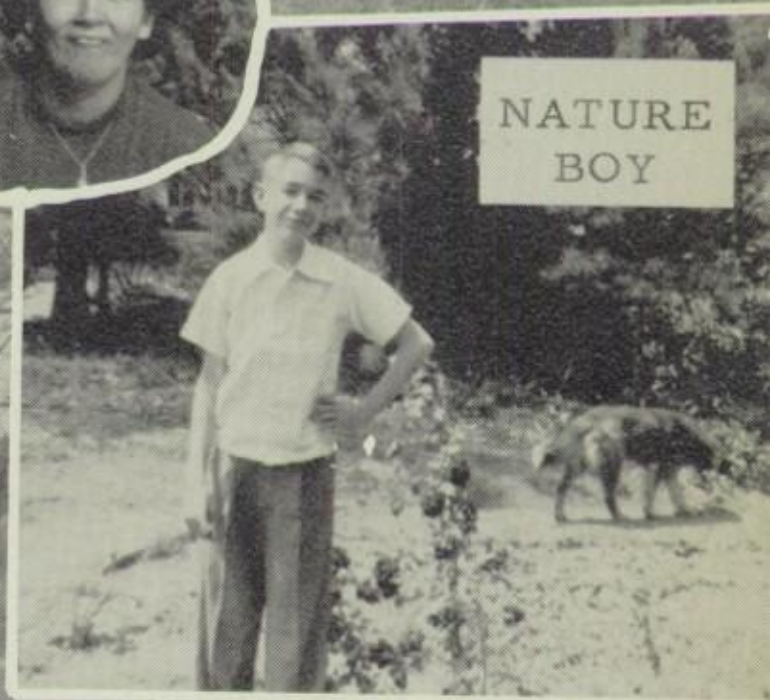
GRUESOME  
TWO SOME



THREE OF  
A KIND



NATURE  
BOY



SPEAK      SEE      HEAR  
NO          NO      NO  
EVIL        EVIL    EVIL



JUST FRIENDS?



OOO! LA! LA!



AH!

CHEESECAKE



GLAMOUR  
GIRL



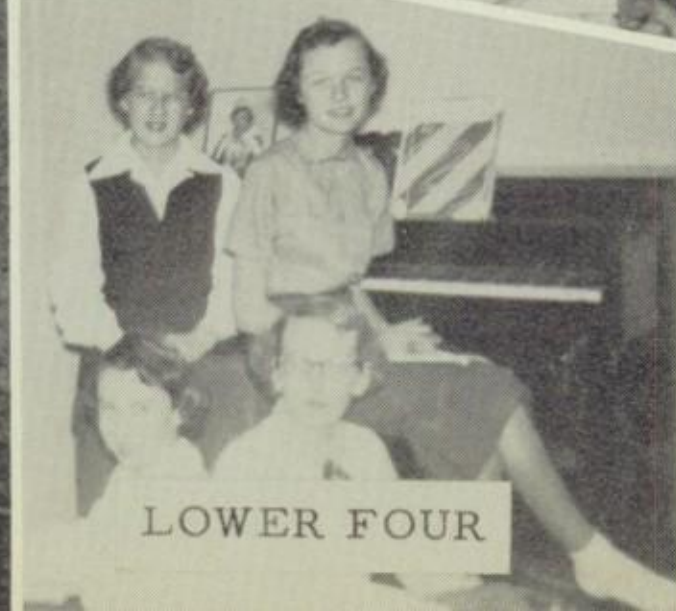
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HIGH SOCIETY



THREE'S A CROWD



LOWER FOUR



NO BOYS?



*We Grow*

*with the hills*





# Elementary School

HOME IS THE PLACE  
WE FIND SYMPATHY,  
WHEN WE ARE IN TROUBLE





# *The Sixth Grade*



First Row: S. Smith, B. J. Harrison, L. Johnson, J. McCrory, T. McHenry, H. McGillery, D. Fendley, L. Walker, G. Etheridge. Second Row: J. Badger, J. Anderton, T. Hare, D. Dement, M. Allen, J. Robinson, B. Knight, K. Lowery, R. Burge, A. Rivers. Third Row: B. Goodman, M. Gates, R. Goodman, C. Moore, B. Goodman, C. Davis, P. Davidson, B. Ott, R. Cogle, T. Knight. Fourth Row: M. Megginson, M. Forehand, O. Campbell, L. Nelson, N. Tucker, M. Goodman, P. Ingram, L. Davis, J. D. Robertson, F. Funchess.

# *The Fifth, & Sixth Grade*



First Row: D. McDonald, M. Buckalew, E. Etheredge, B. Newton, J. Hamilton, L. Wilkerson, D. Phillips, H. Lassiter, C. Cassity, M. Allen. Second Row: J. Overstreet, J. Day, H. Lassiter, J. Gates, R. Hill, B. Pugh, T. Tutt, N. Walker, J. Harrison. Third Row: C. Pope, J. Lins, S. Lyles, S. McIntyre, V. Lowry, R. Newton, R. McDonald, T. Hill, M. Armistead, R. Pope.



# The Fifth Grade



First Row: A. Armistead, M. Odom, J. Philen, C. Hamilton, L. Jackson, P. Knight, E. Dunn, B. Rush.  
 Second Row: B. Tucker, G. Reid, J. Walker, J. Newton, B. Haskew, J. Deas, C. Megginson, D. Williams,  
 J. Parten, T. Counselman. Third Row: R. Knight, C. Tucker, J. Andress, D. Newton, M. Slade, J. Beverly,  
 H. Sadler, B. Pritchett, T. Little, J. Wilkerson. Fourth Row: E. Slade, D. Lins, B. Hill, L. Mott, C. Wil-  
 son, E. Guy, C. Stephens, T. Megginson, G. Corgill, J. Moseley.

# The Fourth Grade



First Row: W. Sheffield, B. Jackson, D. Edwards, M. Bayars, B. Smith, R. Megginson, C. Larrimore, G.  
 Sadler. Second Row: M. Baswell, R. Robertson, S. Carlisle, R. Andrews, F. Burge, A. Gates, T. Gates, P.  
 Helms, P. Marrs, M. Cogle. Third Row: S. Fendley, B. Wilkerson, T. Deas, B. Bagley, J. Harrison, P.  
 Gates, J. Newton, W. Etheridge, J. Chaney, J. Dement. Absent: R. Head, R. Megginson, A. Ray, A.  
 Jackson.



# *The Fourth Grade*



First Row: B. Goodman, S. Dungan, B. Dunn, M. Ward, J. Lisenbe, R. Tucker, M. Singleton, G. Etheridge, P. Robertson, B. Reid, A. McManess. Second Row: D. Newton, F. Cassity, C. Smith, B. Armstead, J. Huckabee, B. Hutto, P. Hill, B. Knight, J. Reid, L. Walker, I. Griffin. Third Row: C. Hill, M. Pope, J. Forehand, D. Dunn, D. Whittington, B. Dement, R. Coxwell, T. Bishop, T. Knight, J. Harrison, V. Hicks.

# *The Third Grade*



Front Row: A. Overstreet, L. Creel, T. Hill, W. Gillaspie, W. Helms, R. Knight, E. Sheffield, A. Hudson, K. Harper. Second Row: D. Odom, V. Mott, D. Pugh, Y. Thicksten, D. Walker, J. Jackson, A. Pope, H. Newton, A. Nichols. Third Row: L. Knight, W. Dunn, R. Buckalew, N. Brasfield, A. Brasell, A. Andrews, T. Griffin, B. Ross, E. Moore.



## *The Third Grade*



First Row: H. Reid, D. Hall, D. Phillips, G. Pope, C. Newton, L. Cassity, S. Hawk, M. Allen, M. Walker, G. Cassity. Second Row: C. Mauldin, M. Walker, K. Robinson, Q. Roberts, J. Knight, H. Lassiter, B. Wilson, D. Lins, P. Rivers, R. Jackson. Third Row: R. Solomon, M. Ford, M. Furmore, S. Tutt, C. Baker, J. Walker, C. Guy, J. Williams, R. Goodman.

## *The Second Grade*



First Row: D. Jackson, T. Megginson, M. Rotch, P. Robinson, C. Megginson, J. Wilson, F. Wilson. Second Row: F. Etheridge, C. Gaddy, G. Haskew, B. Funchess, D. Goodman, G. Newsome, B. Crawford. Third Row: C. Baswell, W. Odom, H. Wilkerson, B. Odom, J. Phillips, J. Gates, D. Wallace.



## *The Second Grade*



First Row: P. Mortan, S. Mortan, K. Beverly, G. Knight, H. Smith, G. Walker, C. Knight. Second Row: A. Buckalew, B. Stephens, S. Strickland, E. Ward, J. Privette, E. Carlikse, S. Dungan, S. Gates. Third Row: F. Phillips, R. Tucker, J. Partin, W. Baugh, S. Knight, P. Gates, S. Brasell, J. Gates.

## *The First Grade*



First Row: E. Ott, J. Lisenbee, B. Walker, S. Baugh, P. Megginson, R. Cook, B. Buckalew, J. Gates, W. Smith. Second Row: L. Davis, M. Crim, C. Reid, J. Marrs, H. Minnick, L. Brasell, E. Wilson, B. Powell, J. Crow. Third Row: H. Linns, F. Coxwell, K. Nichols, M. Harwell, M. Singleton, L. Fendley, J. Phillips, G. Thompson, G. Robinson.



# The First Grade



First Row: B. Harrison, B. Hudson, G. Dement, W. Williams, V. Jackson, R. Downey, J. Dement, L. Larrimore. Second Row: B. Powell, B. Bradford, B. Burge, M. Goodman, S. Odom, R. Moseley, P. Parnell. Third Row: E. Williams, W. Slade, H. Wilkenson, J. Lowery, K. Wilkenson, C. Moring, R. Ward, L. Crim.





*We Play*

*-- in the hills*





# Activities and Organizations

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First Row: Bettye Deaton, Billy Kimbrough, Carole Kirk, Dot Smith, Arrie B. Newton, Anne Reid, Betty Davidson. Second Row: Dot McHenry, Bardee Burge, Anna McDonald, Bobby G. Byars, Sallie Deas, Alice Megginson, Betty J. Ruthedge, Hardie Kimbrough, Faye Robinson. Third Row: Boyd Megginson, Carolyn Drinkard, Deanna Phillips, Nancy Gillaspie, Gwendolyn Donhost, Ouida Bagley, Hopie Smith, Mary A. Cassity, Gene Davis, Jim Smith.



# S T U D E N T C O U N C I L

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Secretary-Treasurer .....	Hardy Kimbrough
Sponsors .....	Mr. Neel, Mrs. Griffin, and Miss Morgan



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First Row: Olene Knight, Mary Day, Lois Bishop, Carolyn Bishop, Rosalyn Harrison, Rex Jackson, Curtis Crenshaw, Eugene Goodman. Second Row: Jeannene Crenshaw, Joan Crim, Shirley Bishop, Anne Davidson, Carole Slade, Judy Wilcox, Louise Reid, Betty Davidson, Mrs. Kirk. Third Row: Bardee Burge, Alice Megginson, Gloria Ott, Julia A. Garrett, Margaret McIntyre, Carolyn Drinkard, Nancy Gillaspie, Sarah Williams, Shirley Slade.



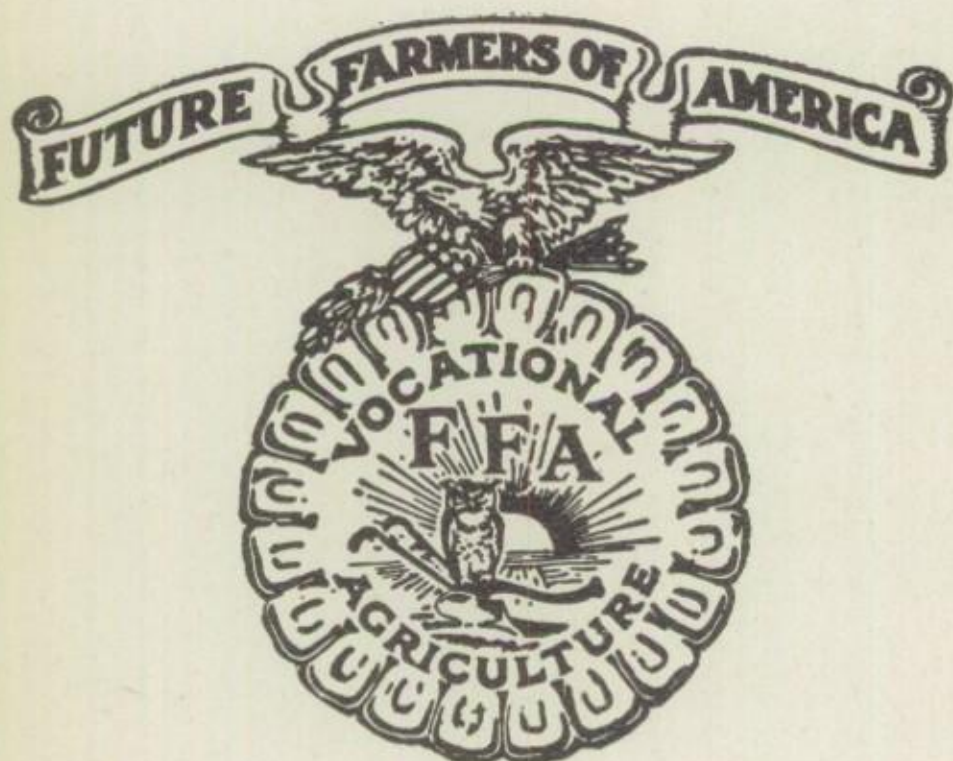
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# FFA



First Row: Edward Smith, Jack Bishop, Monroe Smith, Chester Jackson, Guy Cassity, Ward Jackson, Willie E. Smith, Harold Agee. Second Row: John B. Lyles, George Tucker, Nathan Noble, Russel Cogle, Gerald Champion, C. M. Champion, Edward Davidson, Joseph Ingram, Johnny Ingram. Third Row: Manah Dozier, Bobby Bishop, Julius Sanders, N. B. Lawhon, Leon Lyles, Floyd Harper, Bobby Ingram.





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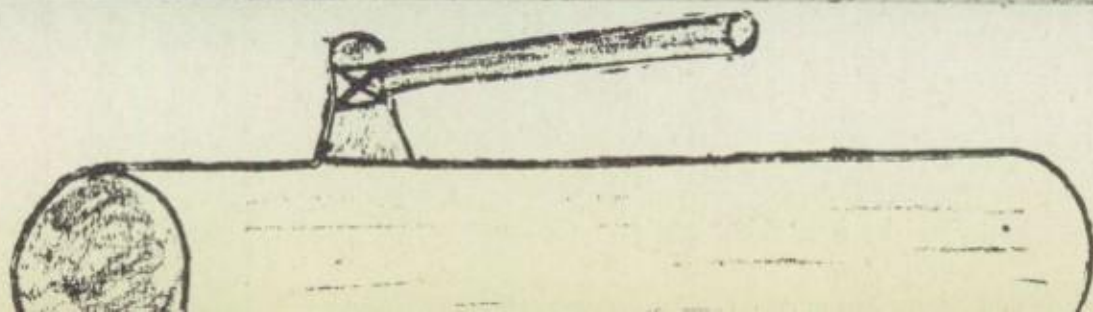
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"Sweetheart of F.F.A.," Gwendolyn Donhost, ready for "Mr. F.F.A." to escort her on the F.H.A. float in the Homecoming parade.





# Our Firsts



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EDITOR..  
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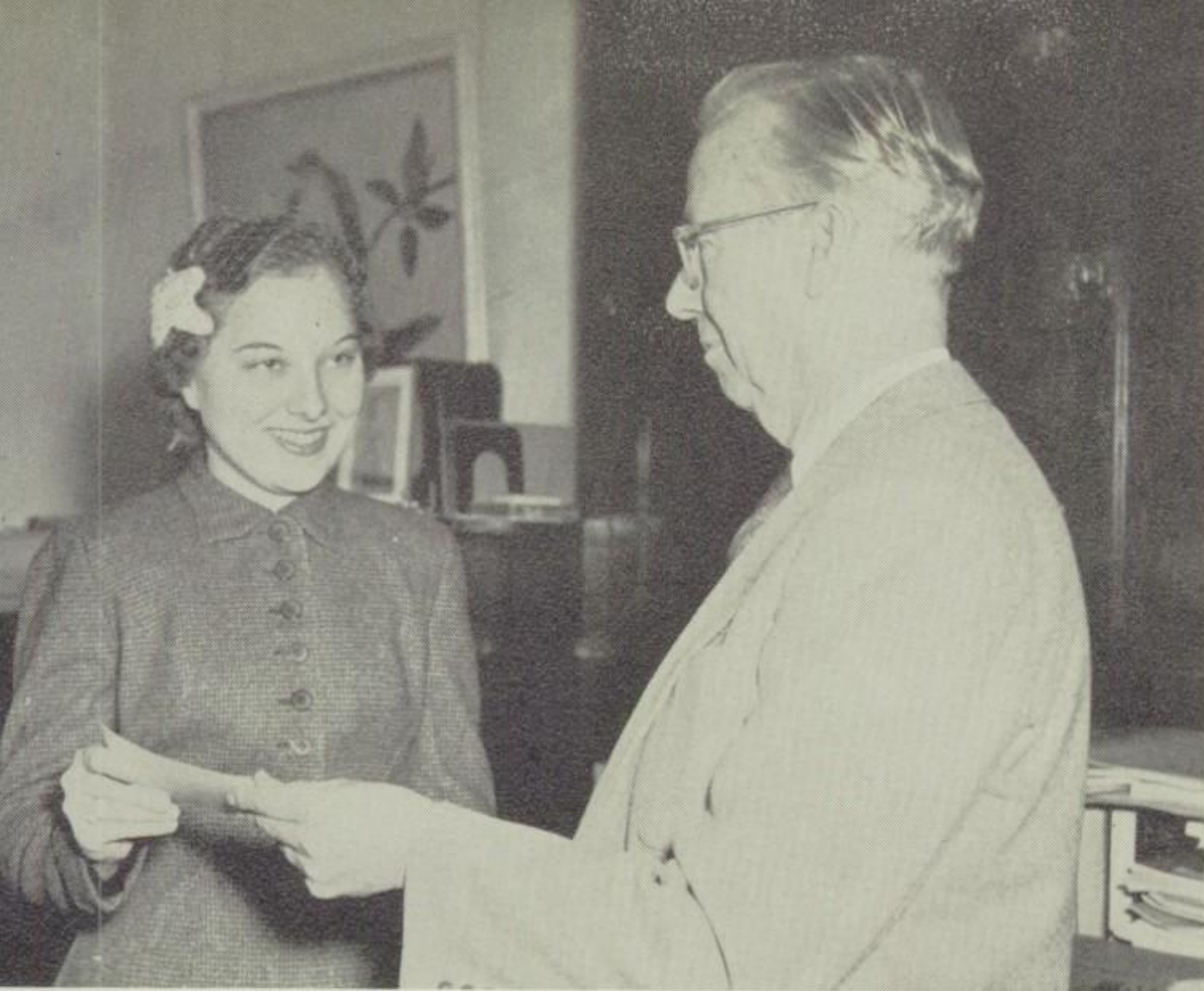
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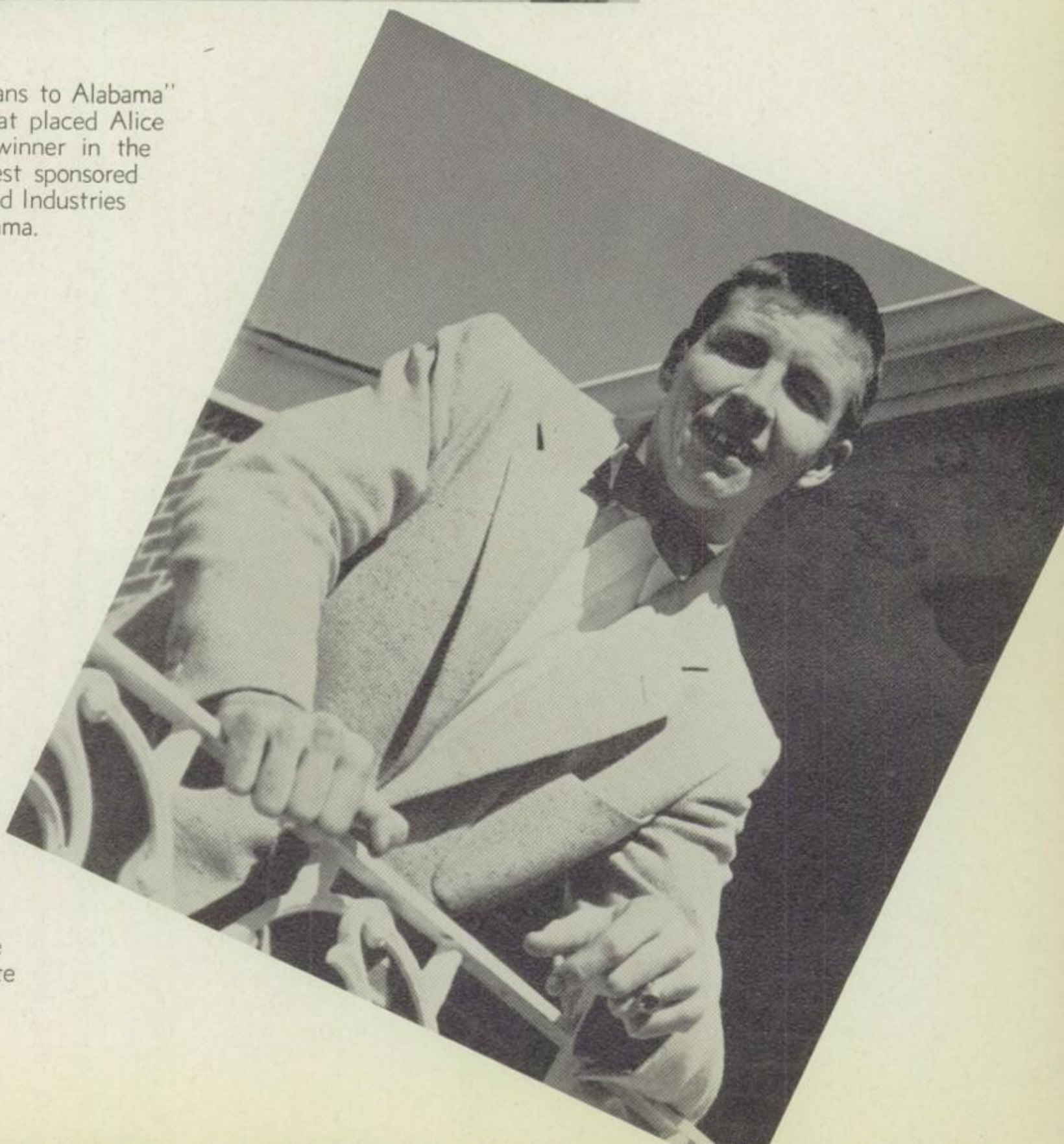
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## *Our Firsts*



"What Industry Means to Alabama" was the subject that placed Alice Megginson as a winner in the state essay contest sponsored by the Associated Industries of Alabama.



Singleton Doyle, Co-Captain of our varsity, won a place on Alabama's all state football team.



# The Thomisana



First Row: Sing Doyle, Sally Deas, Carole Kirk, Miss Morgan, Alice Megginson. Second Row: Nancy Gillaspie, Betty Davidson, Dot McHenry, Bill Davidson, Carolyn Drinkard. Third Row: Deanna Phillips, Gene Davis, Bettye Deaton, Dot Smith, Mrs. Lowery, Billy Kimbrough, Boyd Megginson.

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# Yearbook Staff



Although it required hard work, headaches, and a few frantic nights before the "deadline," it was not in vain. The product is a book of pleasant memories, a lasting reminder of the wonderful times shared with good friends at "dear old T.H.S."

We feel that the entire annual staff has contributed to the success of the "Thomisana." Our sponsors, Miss Helen Morgan, Mrs. Charlotte Lowery, have excluded many of their regular activities for work on our yearbook. Many of us have spent sleepless nights outlining the work ahead of us, but we all feel that we have gained unlimited information from our work on the Annual.

In working on this 1953 edition of the "Thomisana" we have endeavored to create a yearbook that will serve two purposes—to entertain you now and to serve through the years as a record of your school life here at Thomasville High. We hope that we have succeeded in our task and we hope that you will enjoy this volume of the "Thomisana" as much as we have enjoyed producing it.





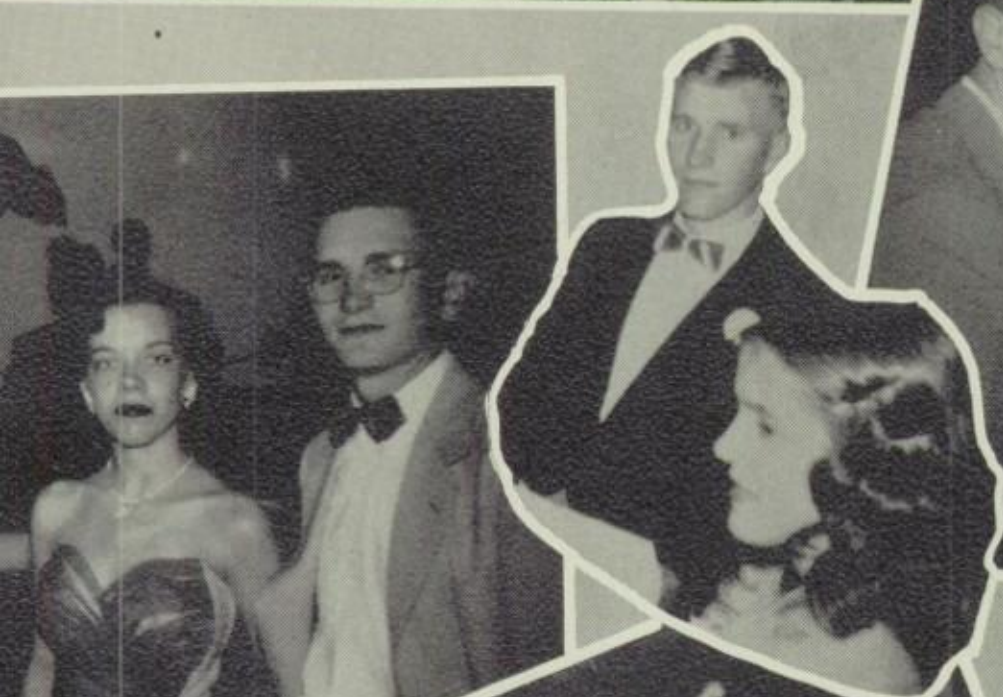


*The Marching Band*



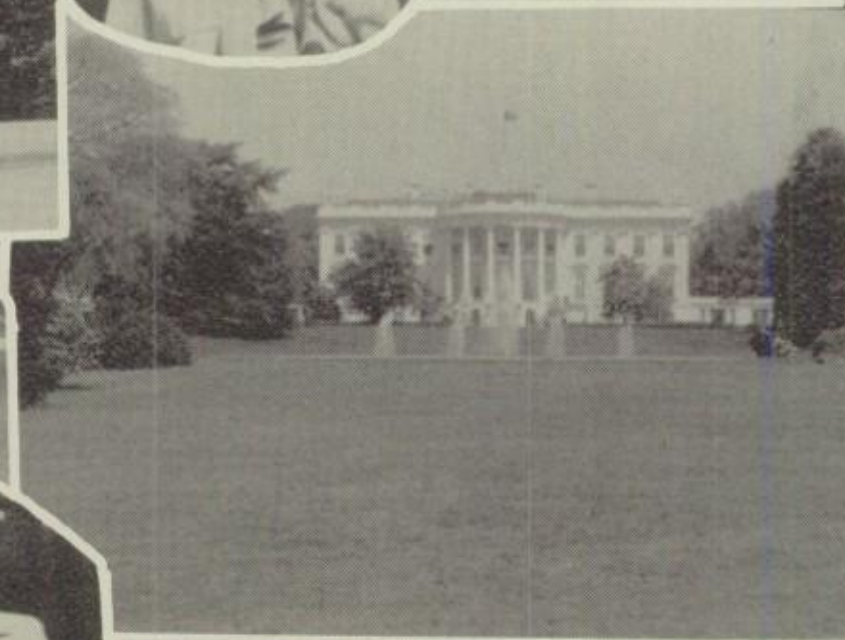
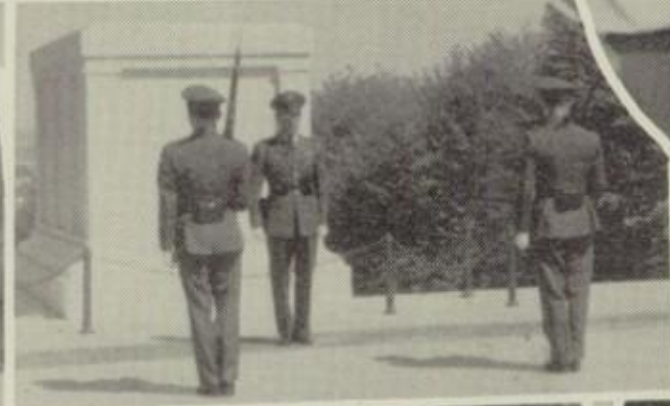
*The Concert Band*





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*Sally Deas*



*Bean*



*Tommy Bouler*



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*Faye Robinson*



*The  
Fav*



*Shirley Bishop*



*Mary Anna Cassity*



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*Bettye Deaton*



*Carolyn Drinkard*



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Fau*



*Alice Megginson*

*Marion Ott*





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*Shirley Slade*





**Miss T. H. S.**  
*Bardee Burge*



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*Bettye Deaton*



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**Home Economists**  
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*Carol Kirk*



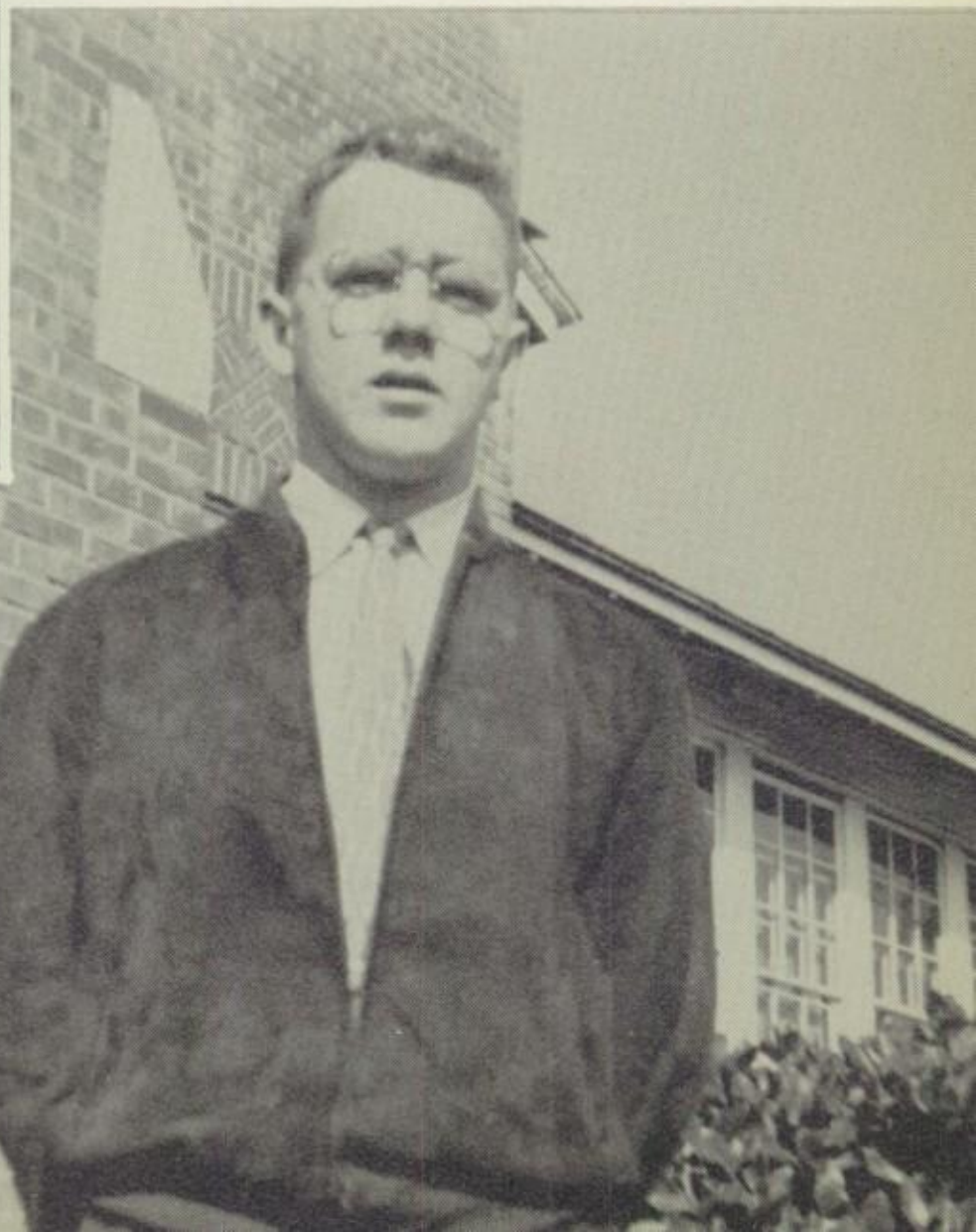
**Commerce**  
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**Mr. F. F. A.**  
*Floyd Harper*



**English**  
*Hopie Smith*



**Science**  
*Bill Davidson*





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*Louise Reid*



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*We Compete*

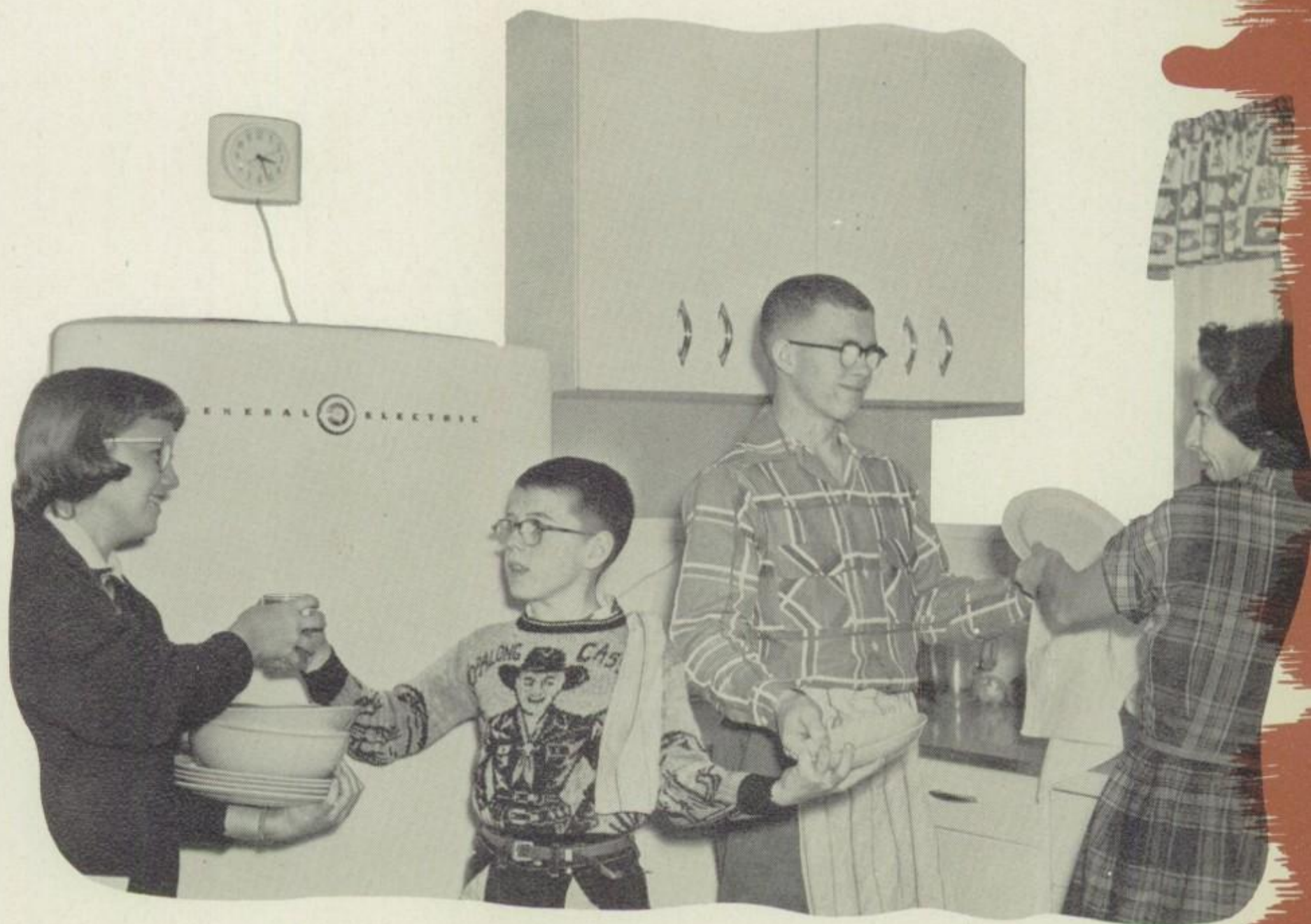
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# Sports

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AND COOPERATION





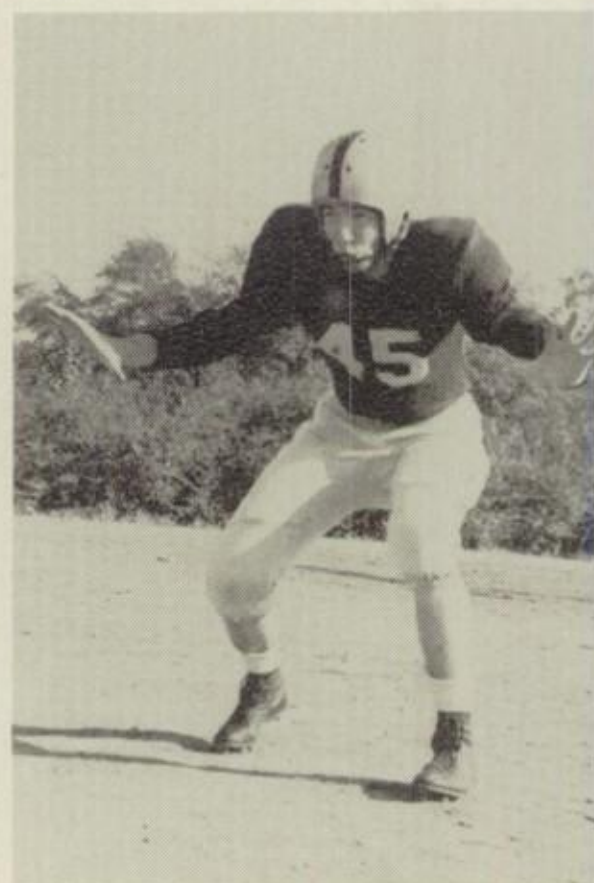


Under the superb leadership of Coach Dovie Fair Anderson, Jr., the Thomasville Tigers enjoyed another successful football season. Winning five and losing four to some very strong opponents. Thomasville being the smaller team in each contest, played with a never dying spirit and fierce determination which proved the difference on several occasions.



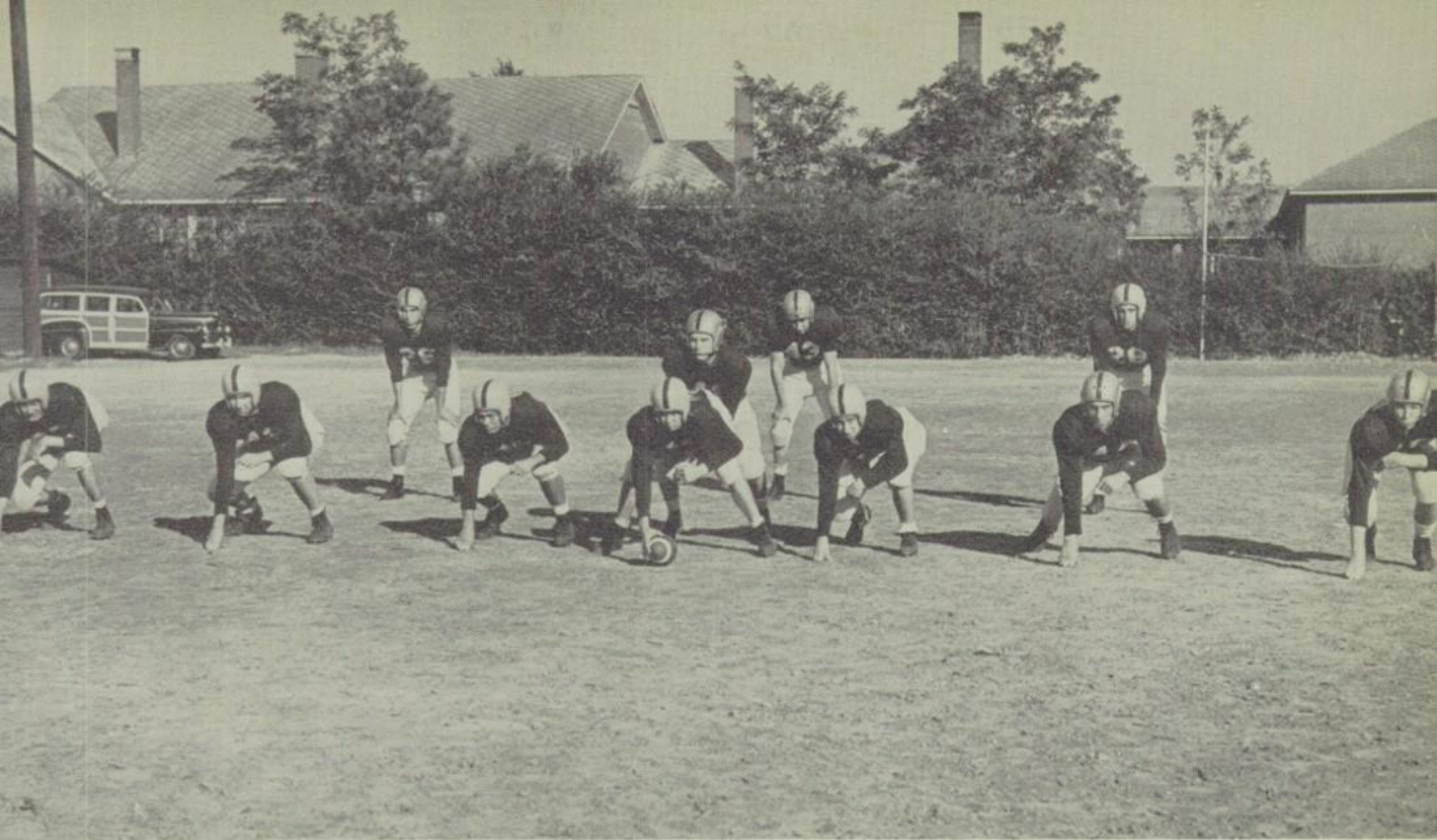
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Captain

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Thomasville..... 6	Chatom ..... 0
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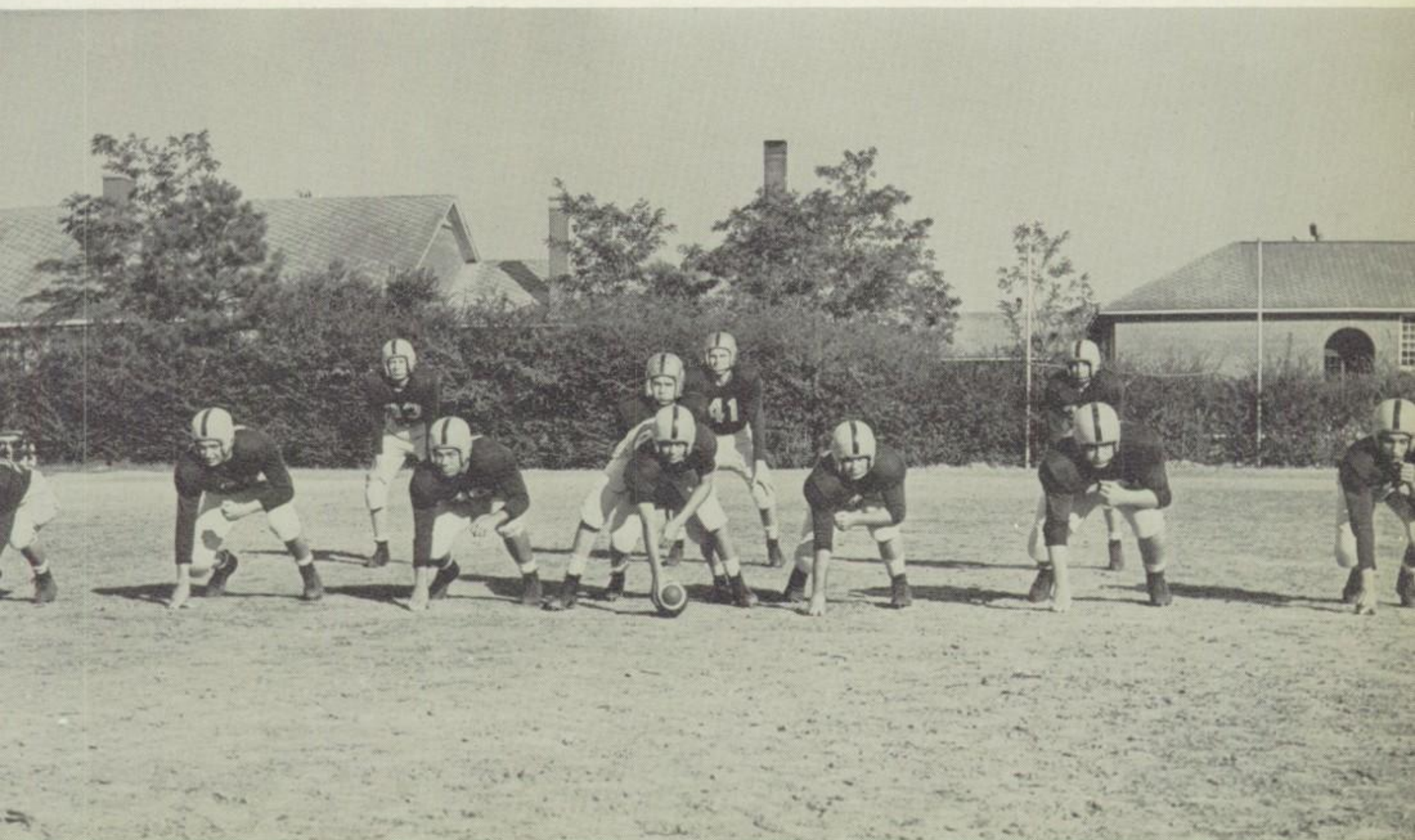


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Co-Captain





*Varsity*

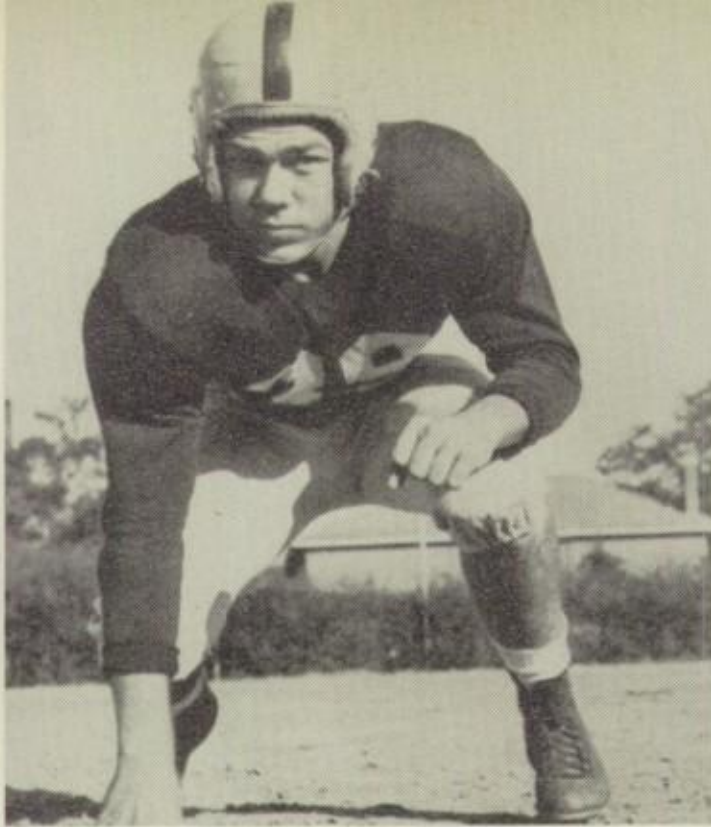


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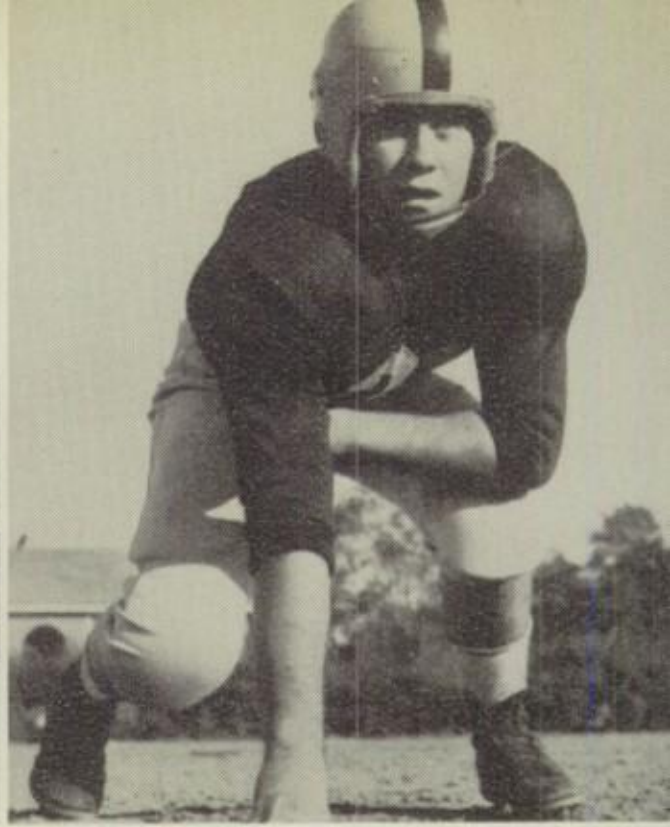




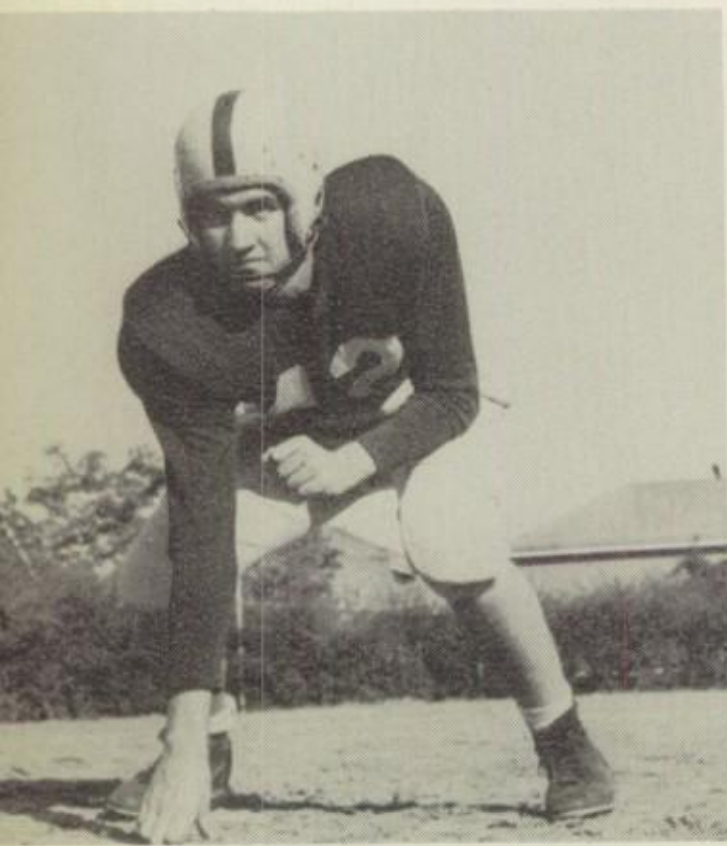
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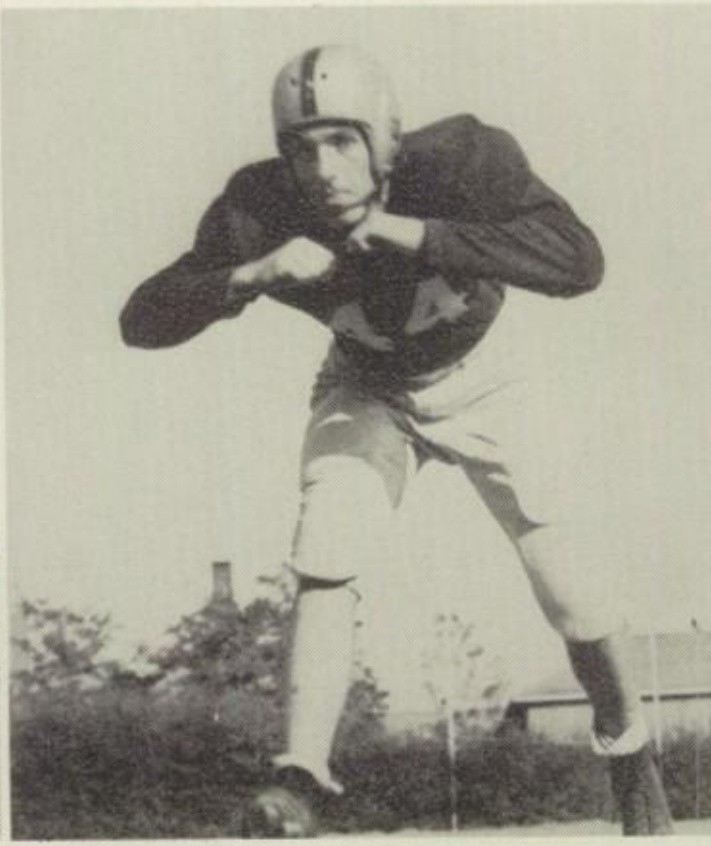
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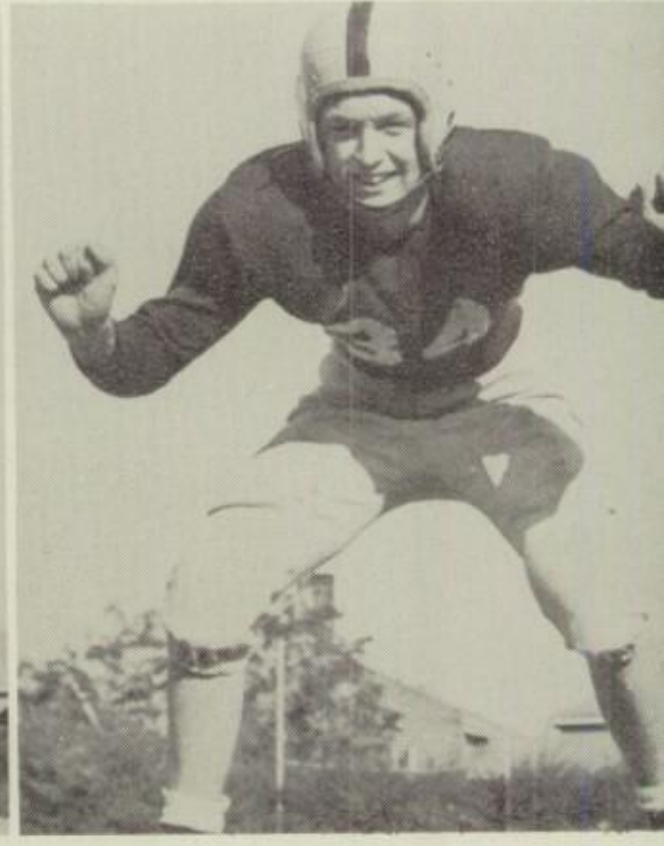
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Gerald Champion  
Tackle



Don Champion  
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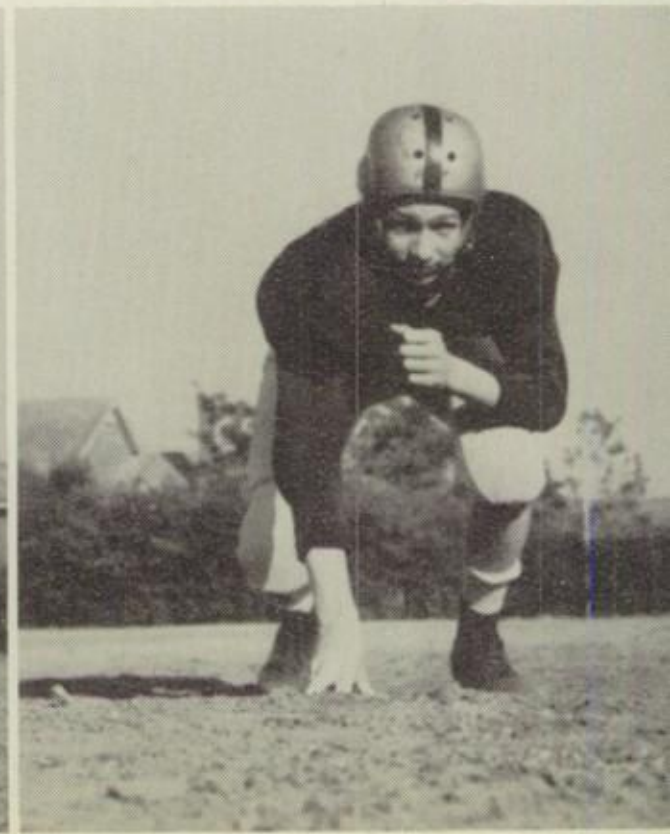
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Charles Hill  
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Leon Lyles  
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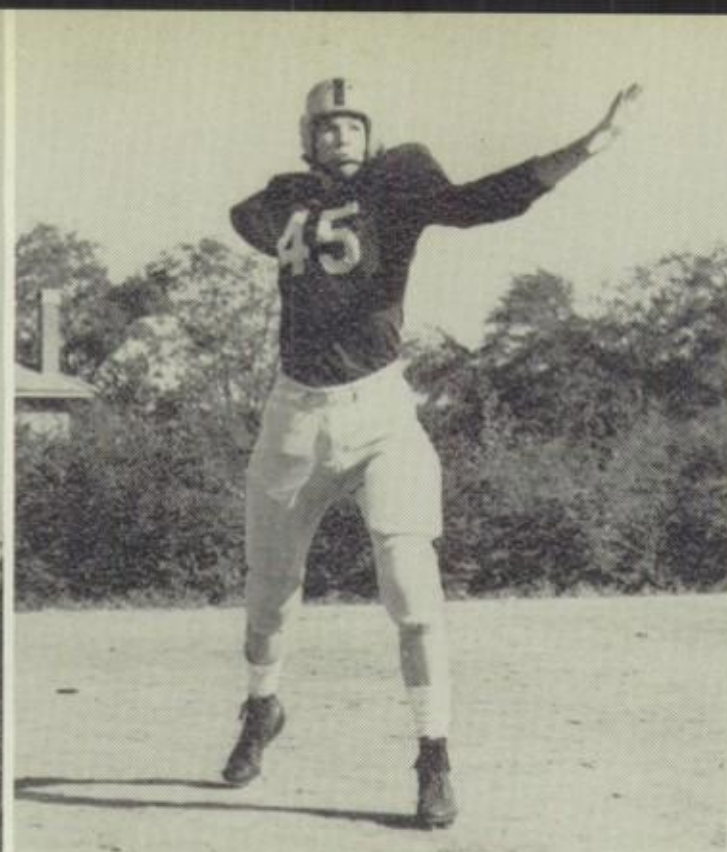


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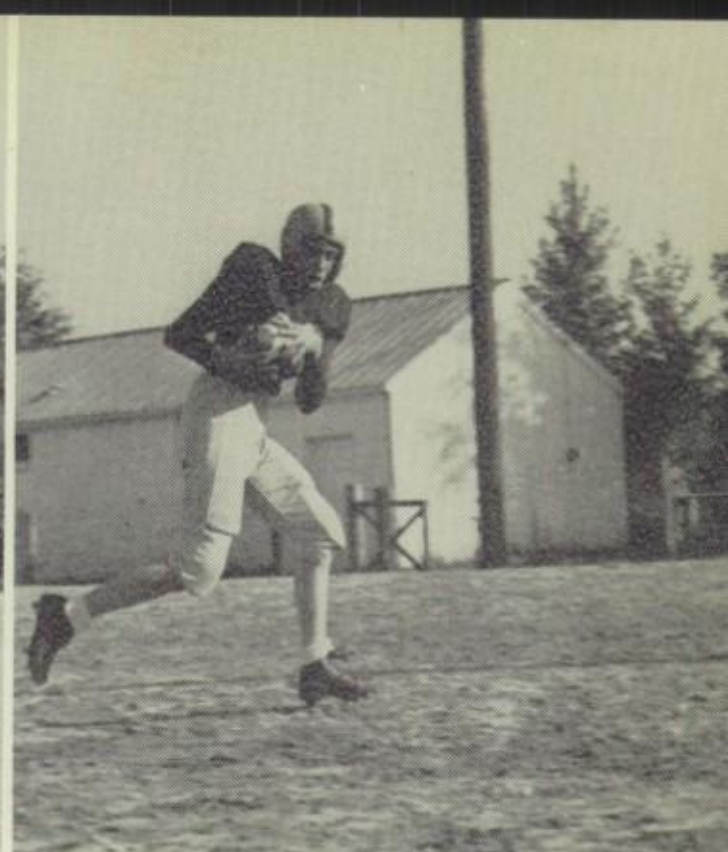




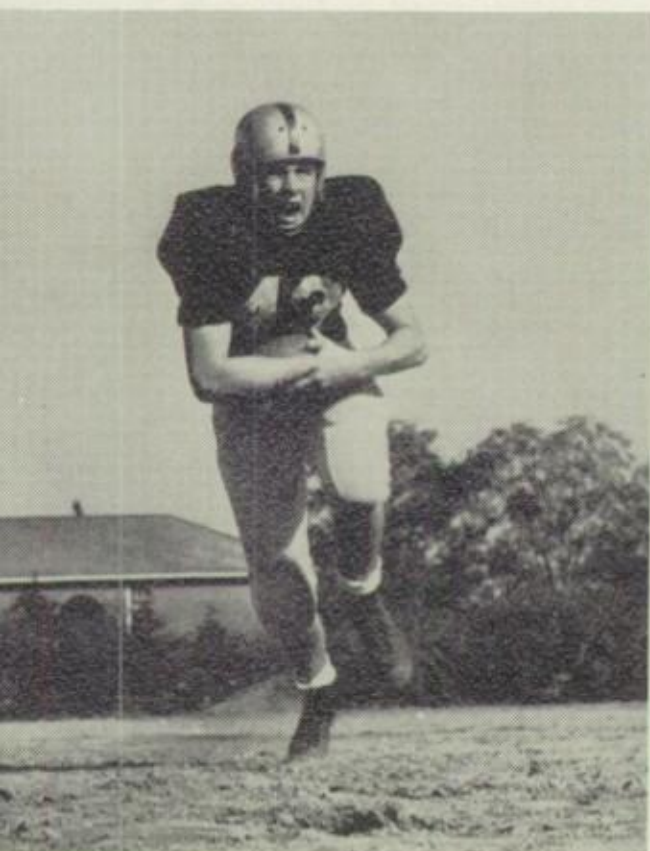
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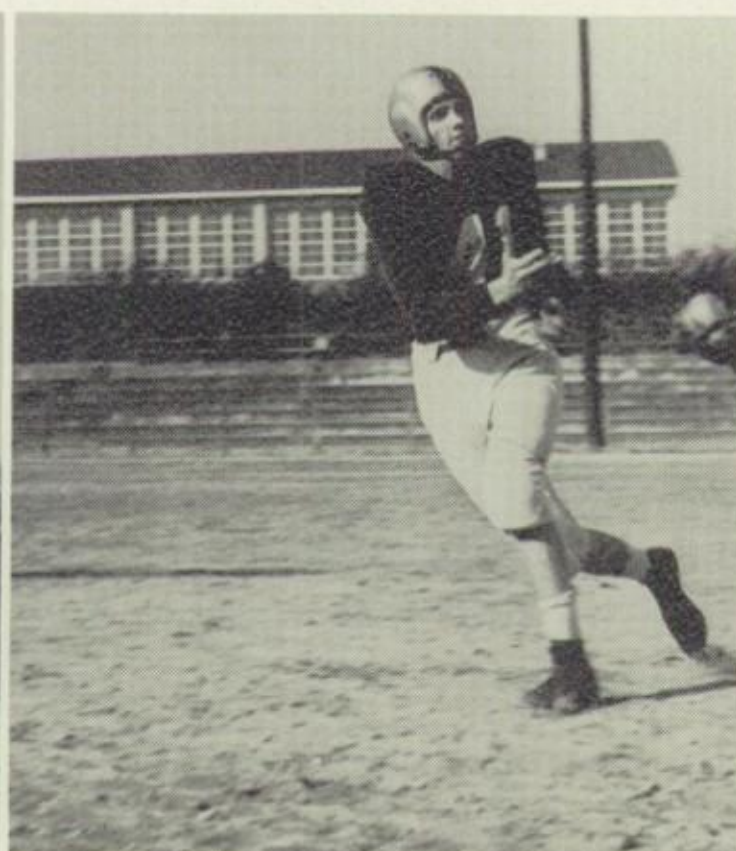
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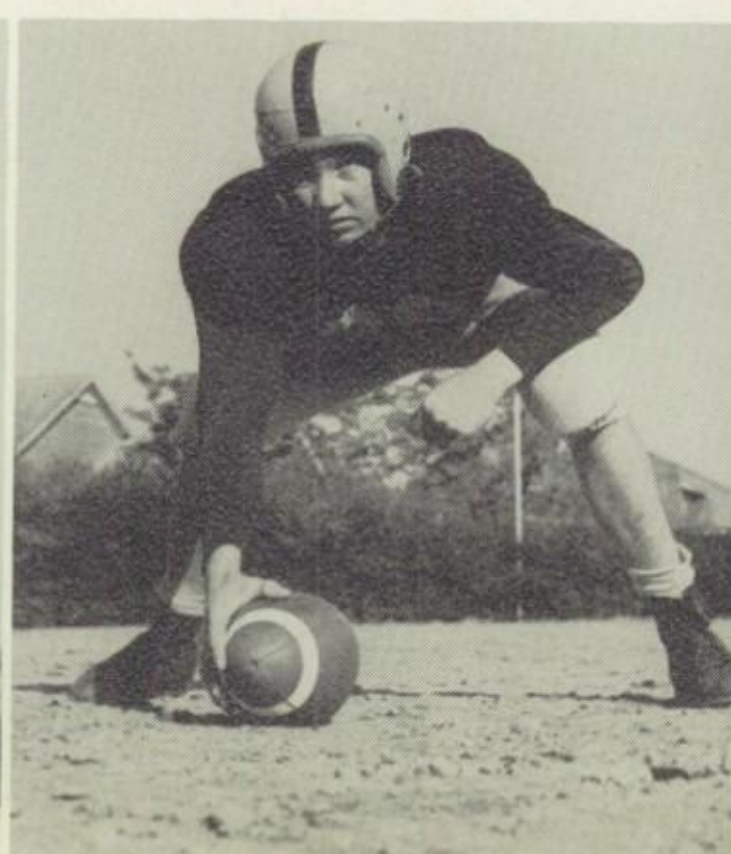
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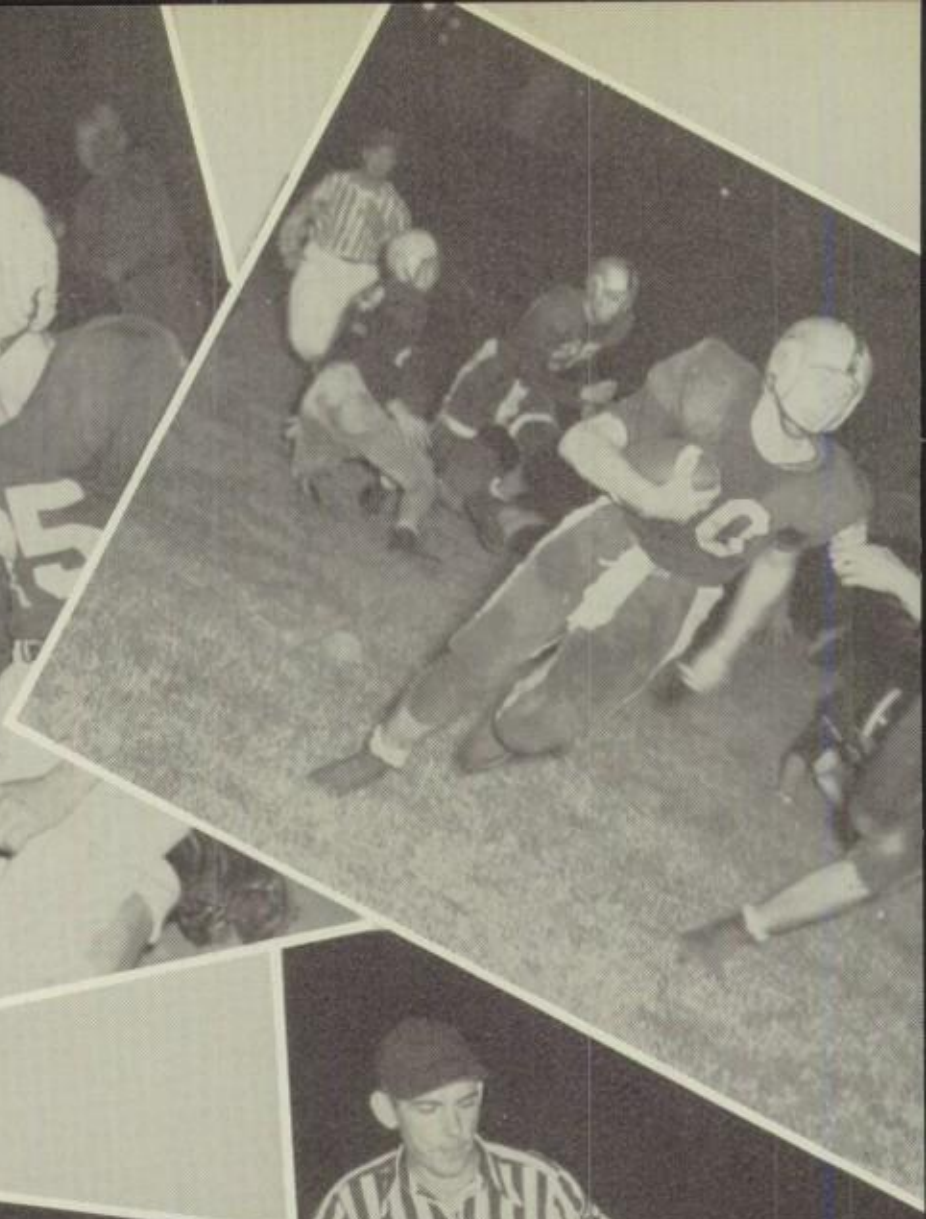


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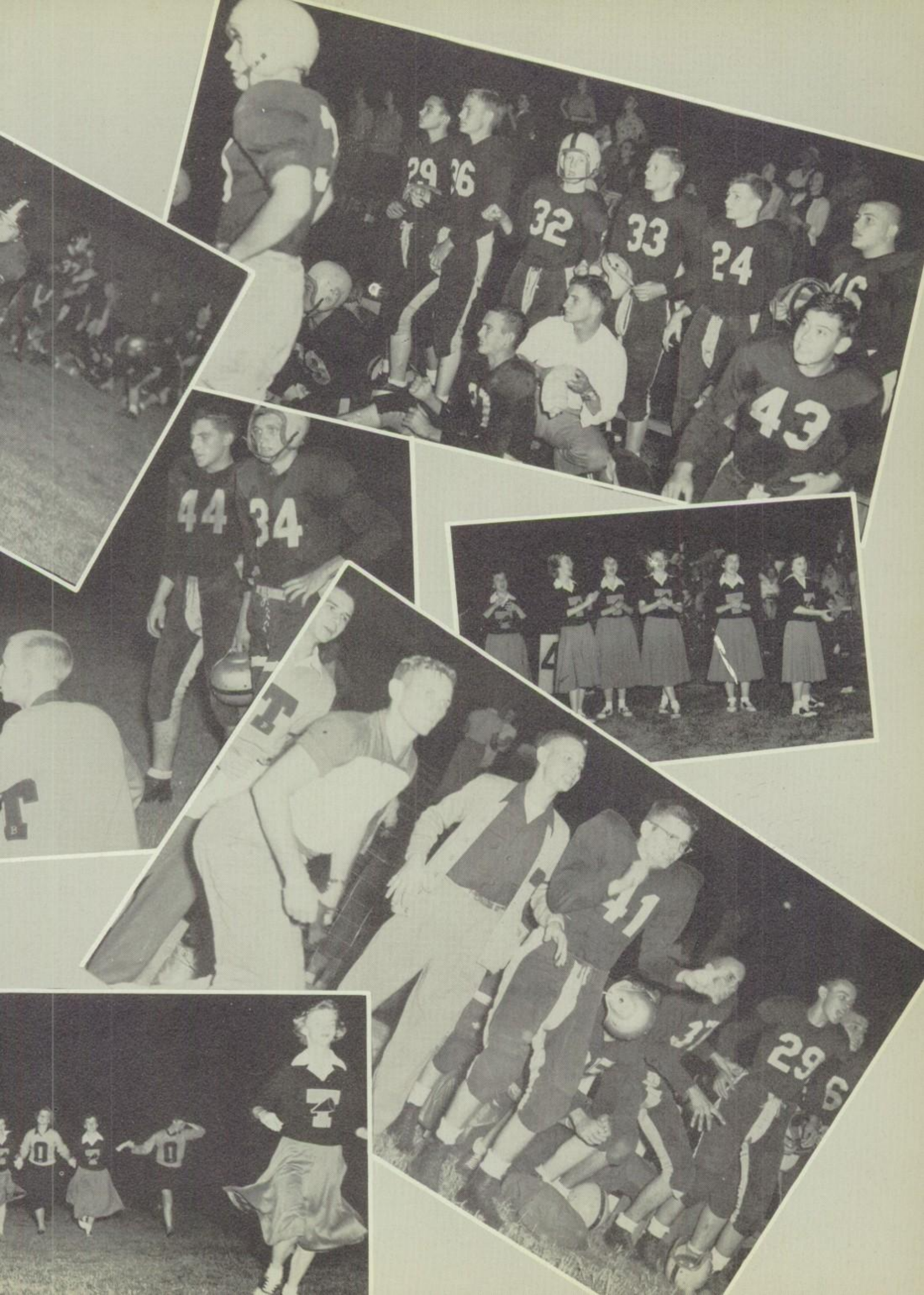


Coach D. F. Anderson













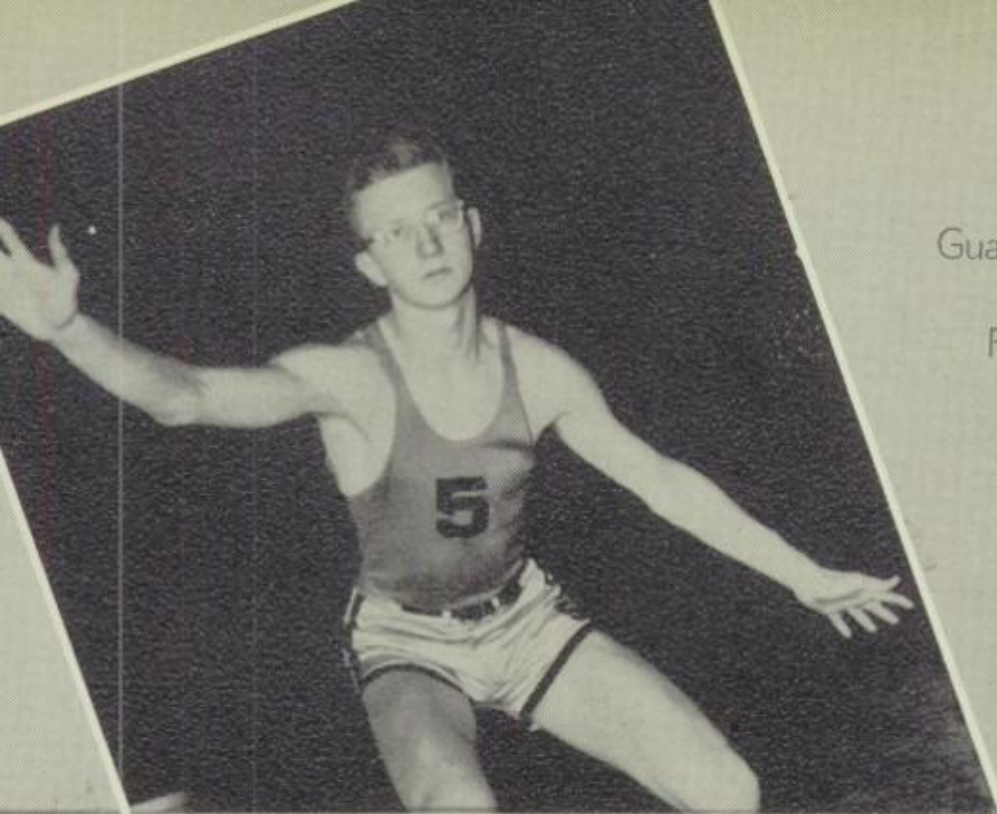
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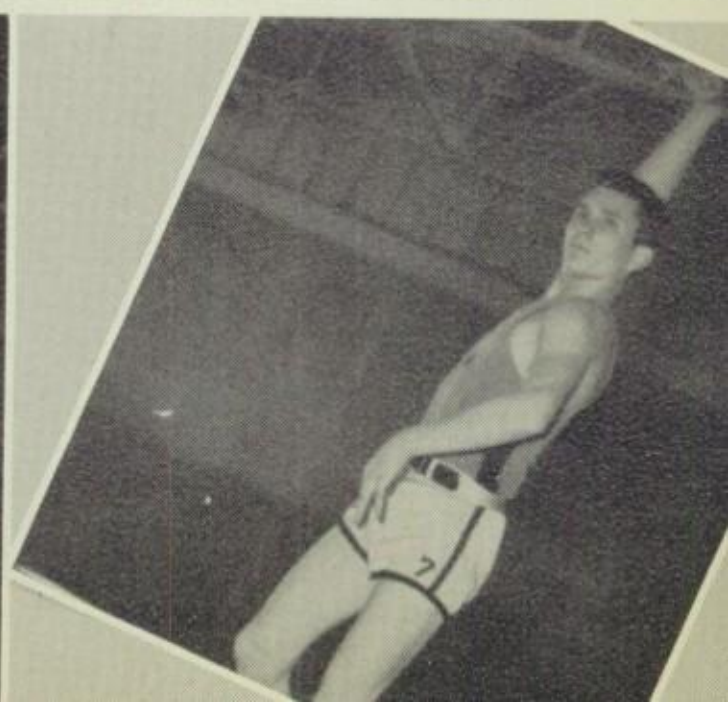
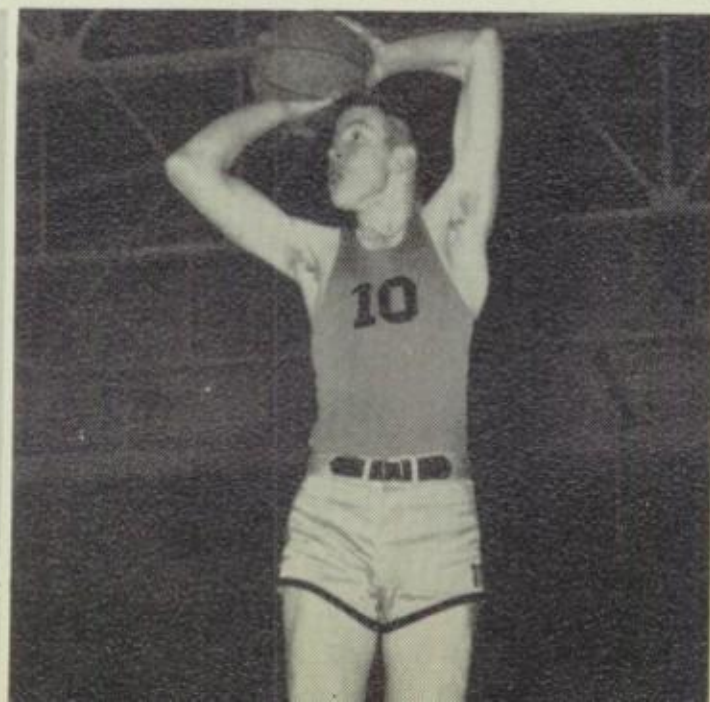
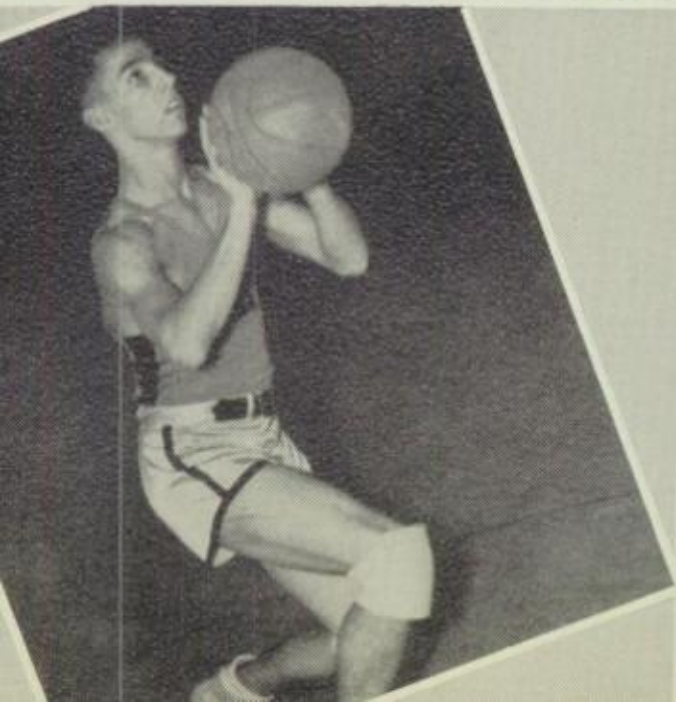
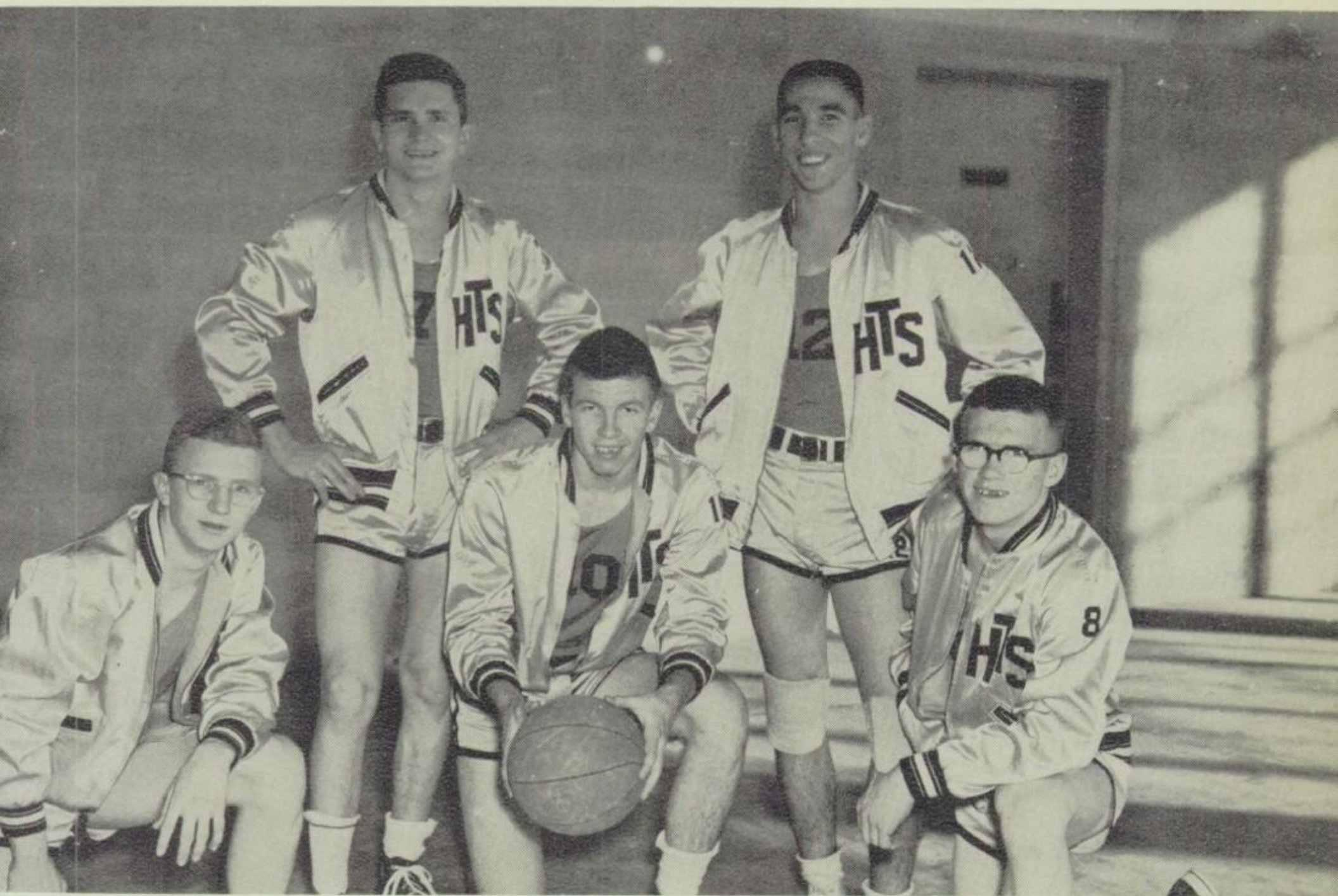
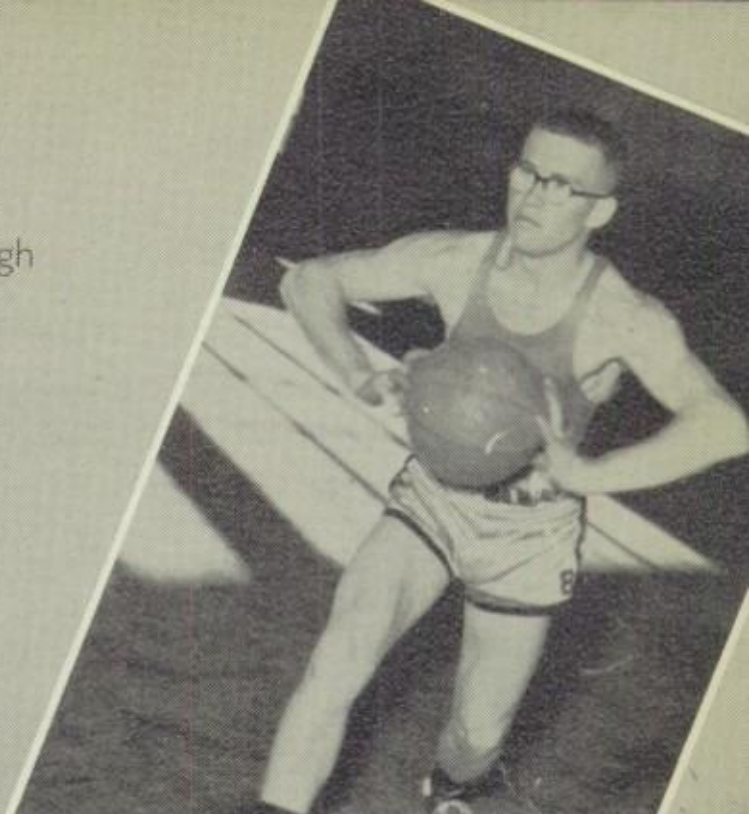
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Guards—Hardie Kimbrough  
Edward Davidson  
Forwards—Jim Smith  
Billy Kimbrough  
Center—Sing Doyle





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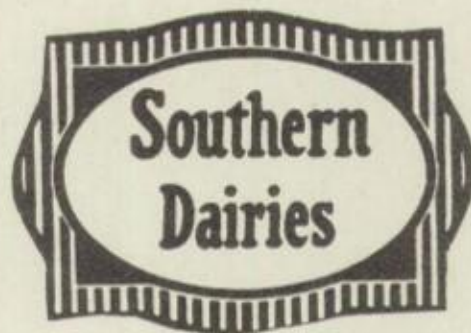


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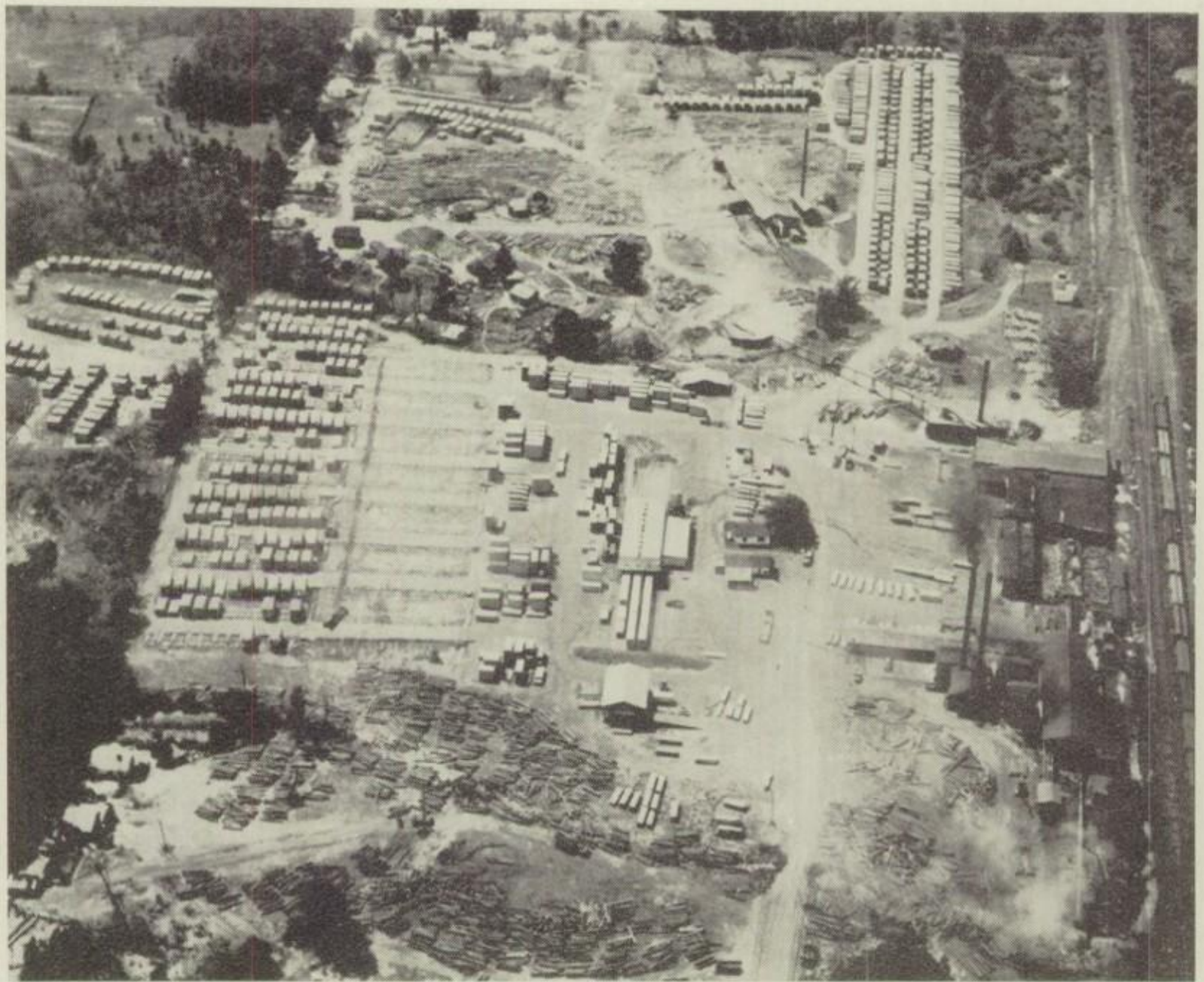
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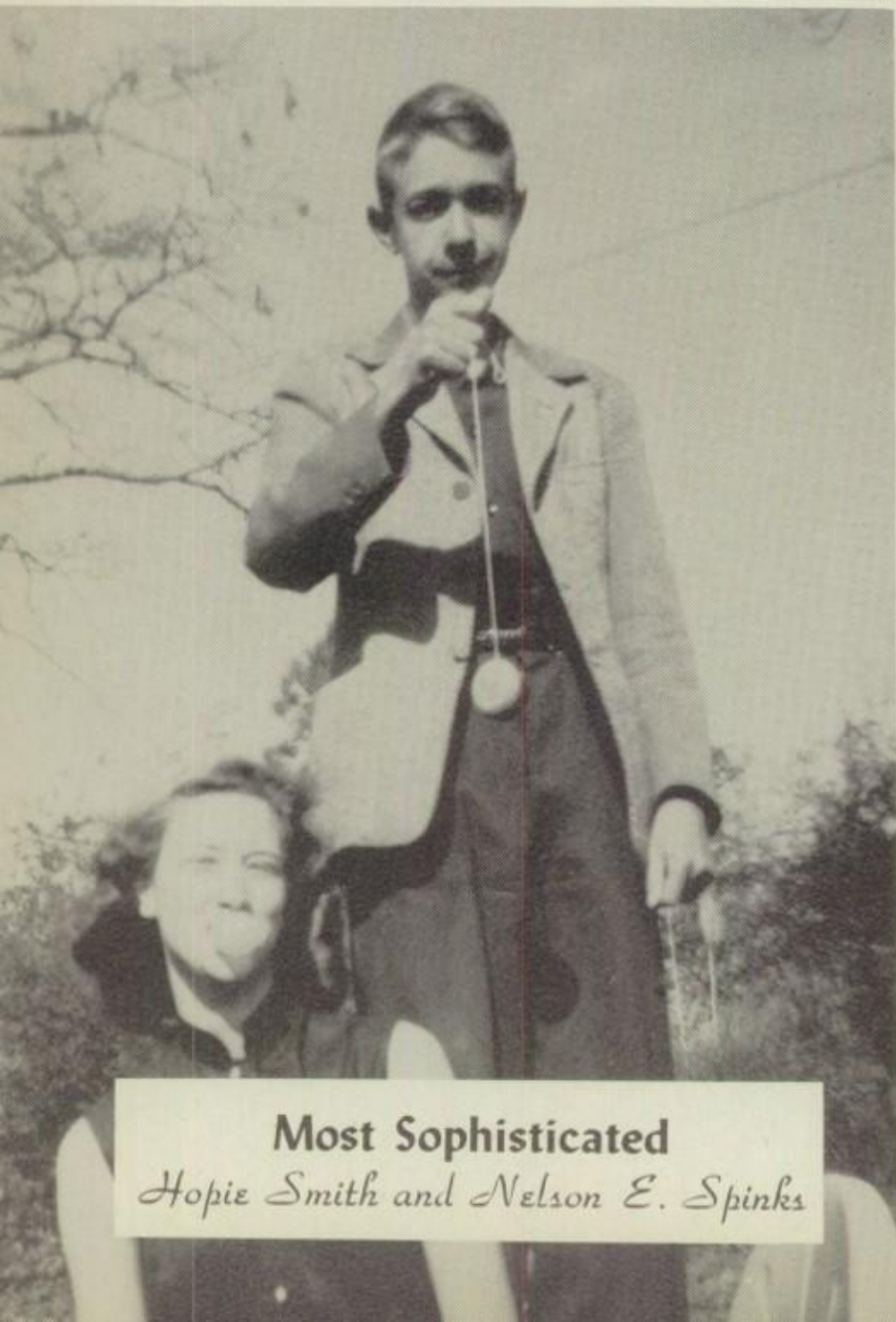
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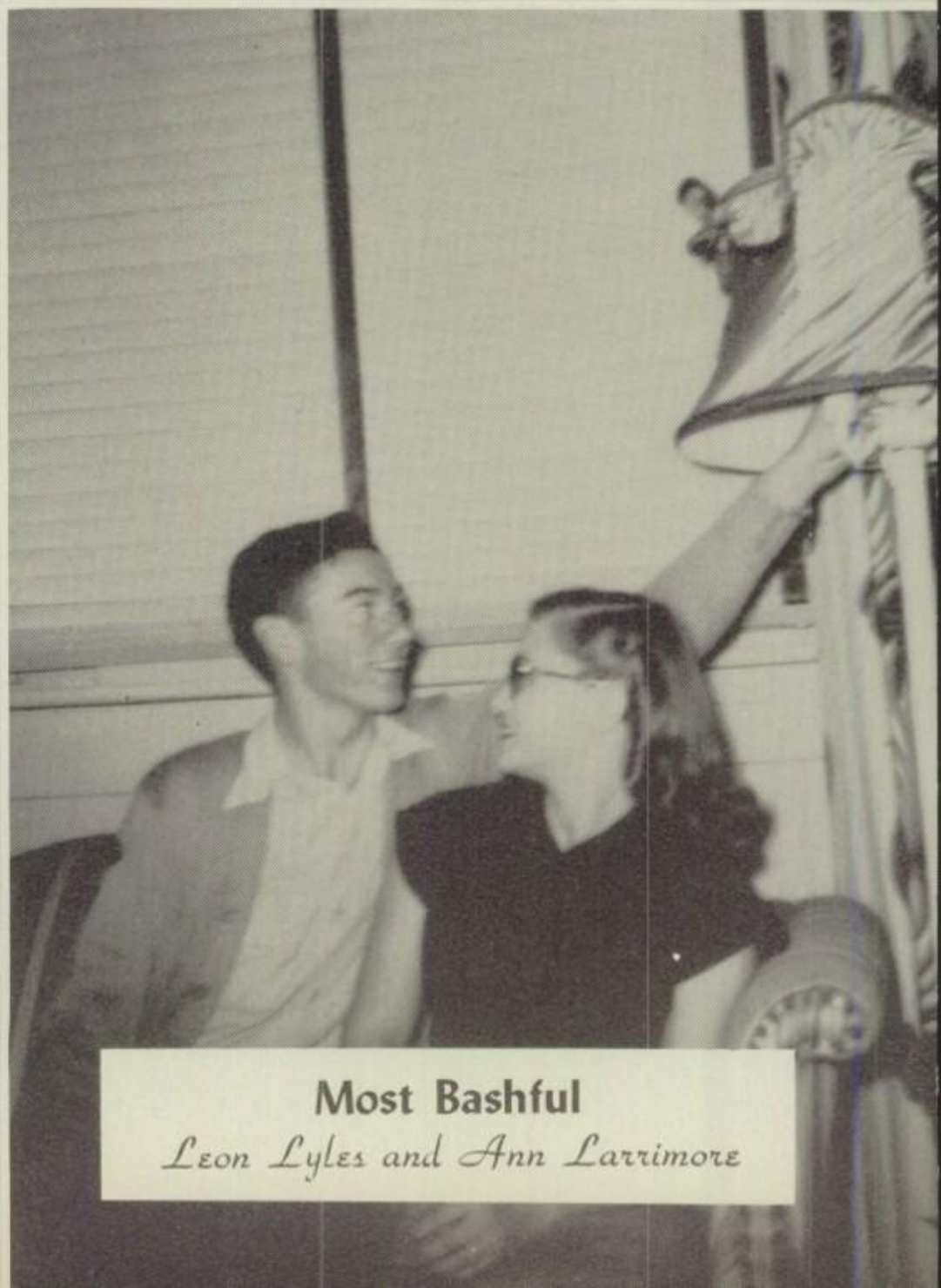
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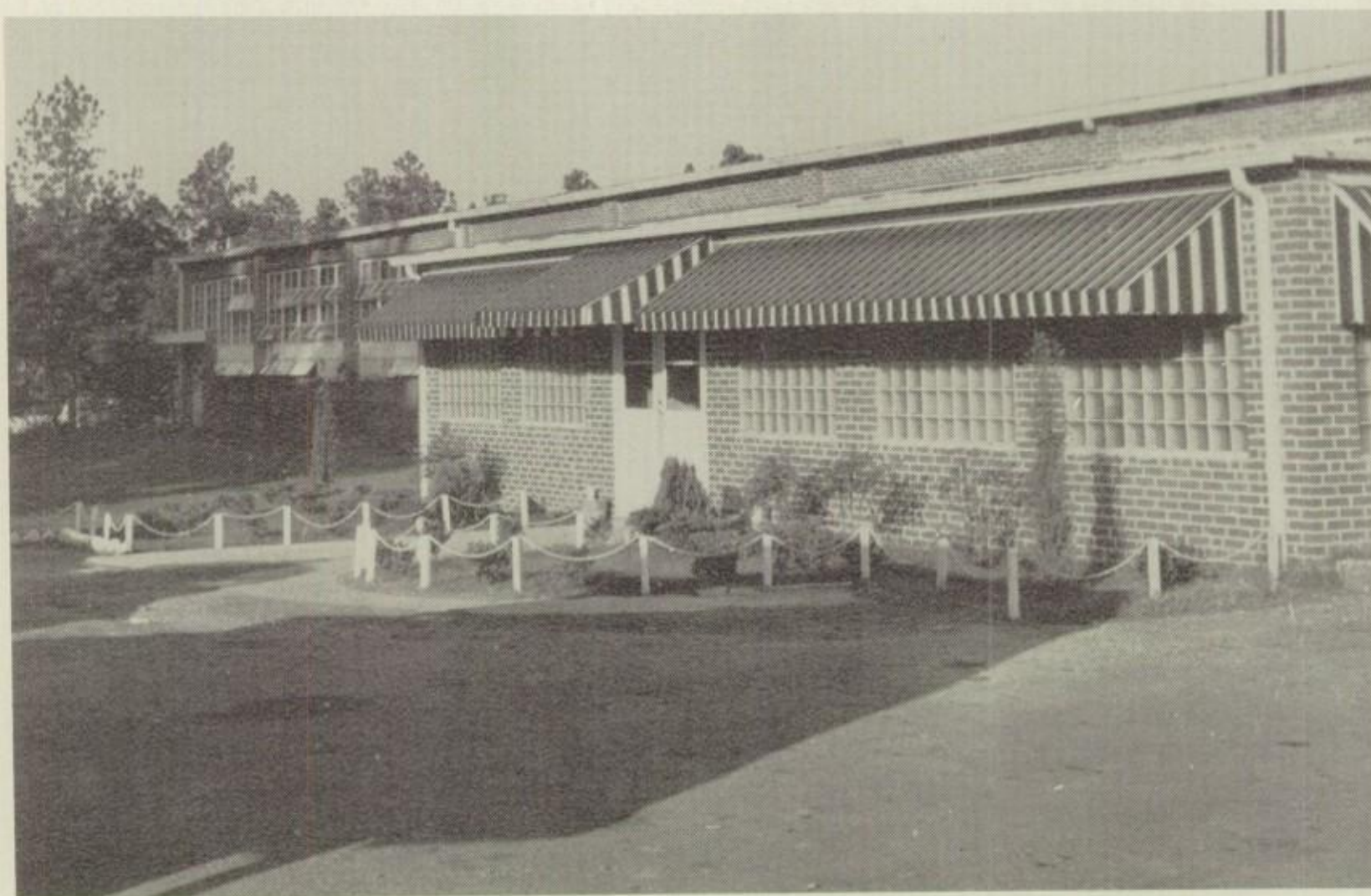
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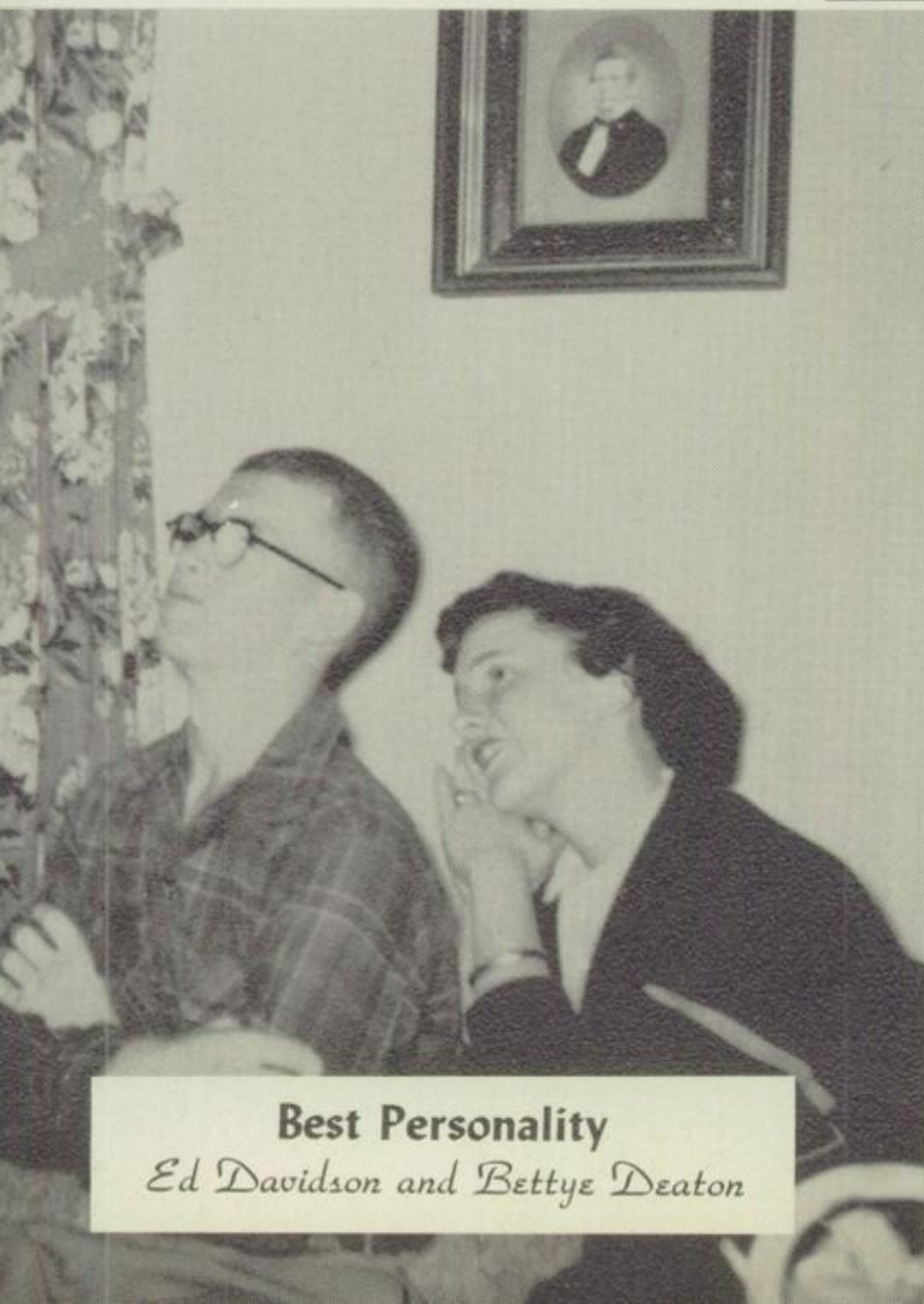




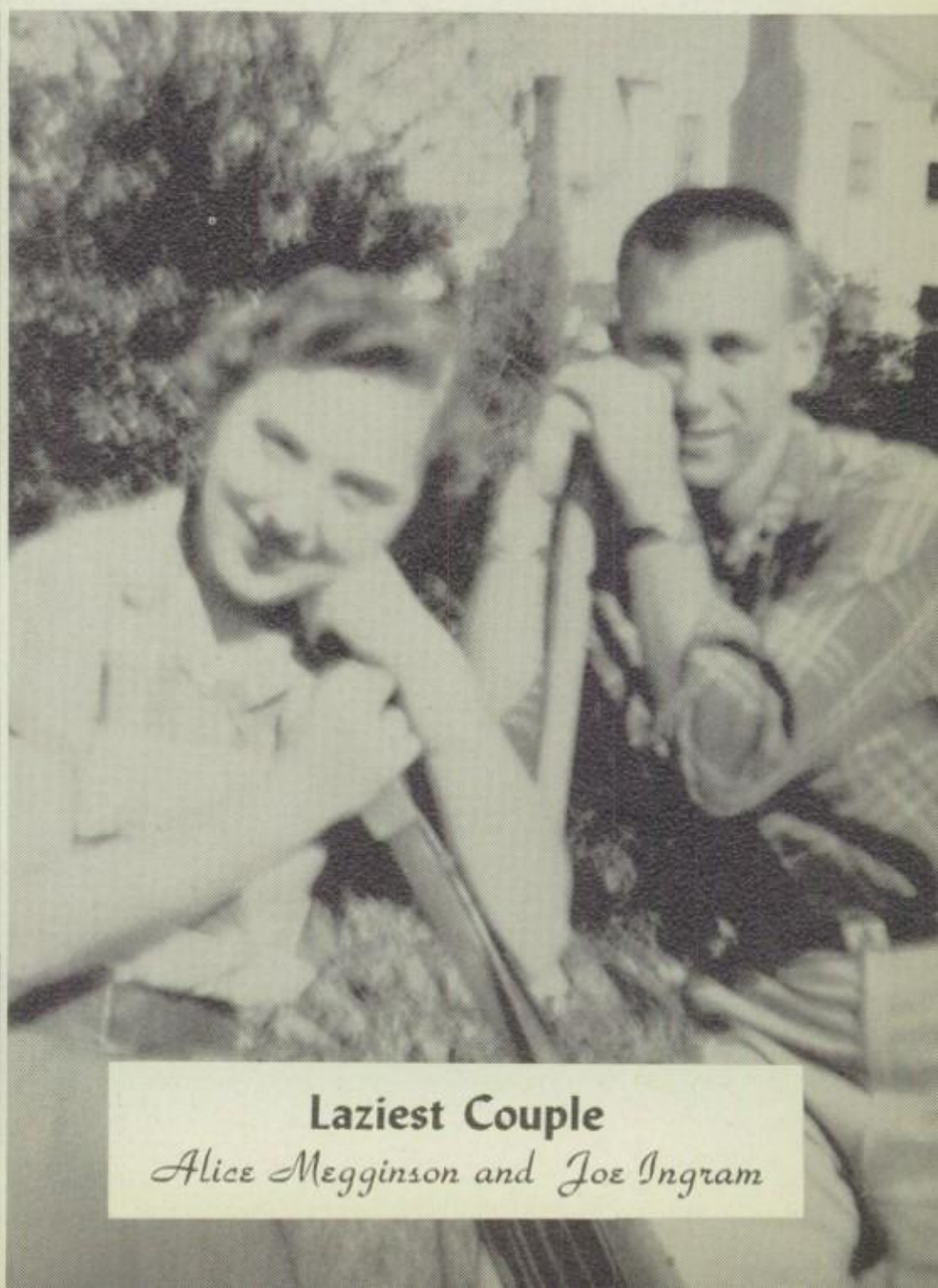
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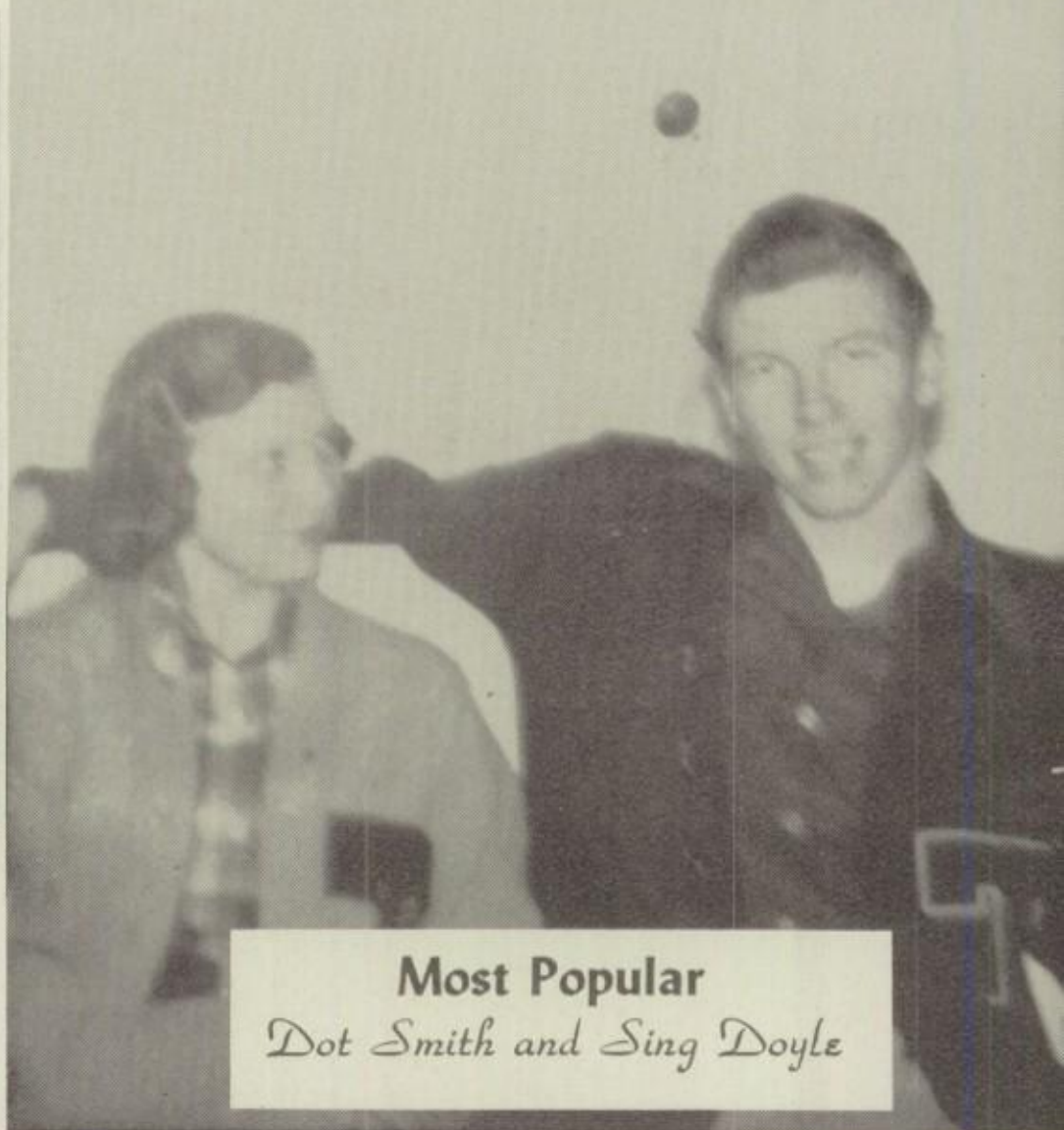
ALABAMA





### **Biggest Eaters**

*Dot McHenry and Joe Wilkerson*



### **Most Popular**

*Dot Smith and Sing Doyle*



### **Cutest Couple**

*Deanna Phillips and Tommy Graham*



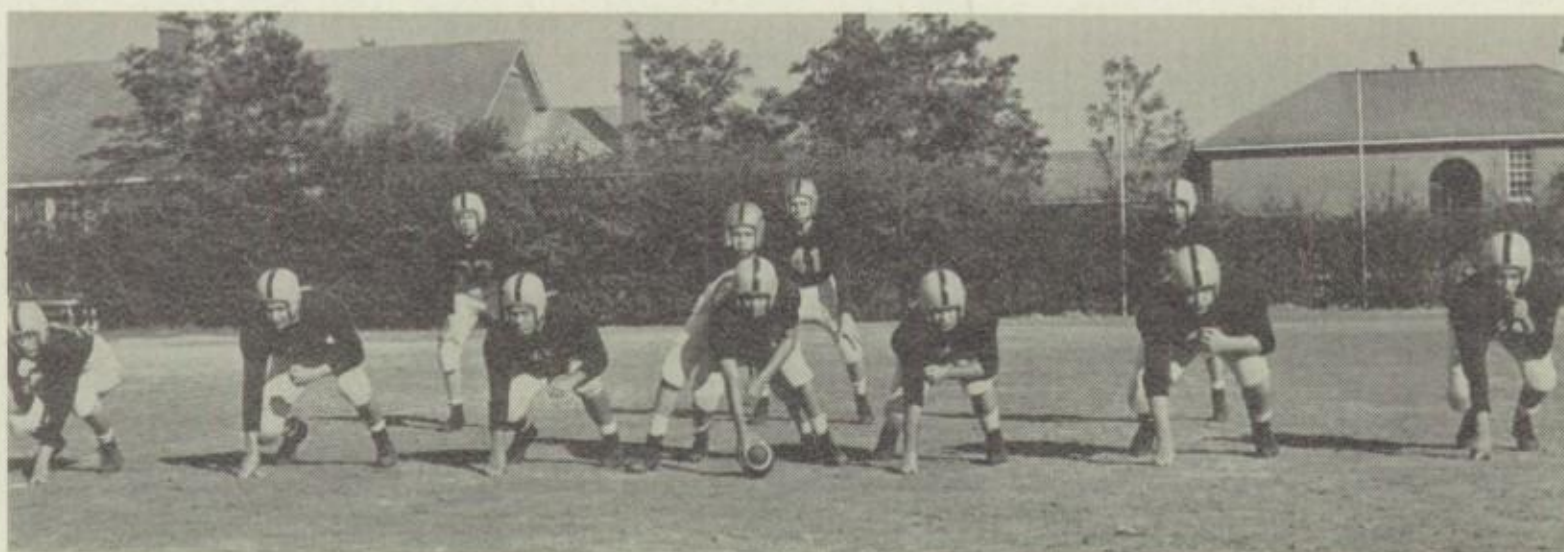
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*Margaret Armstead and Gene Davis*



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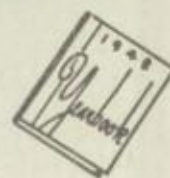
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# The Paragon Press

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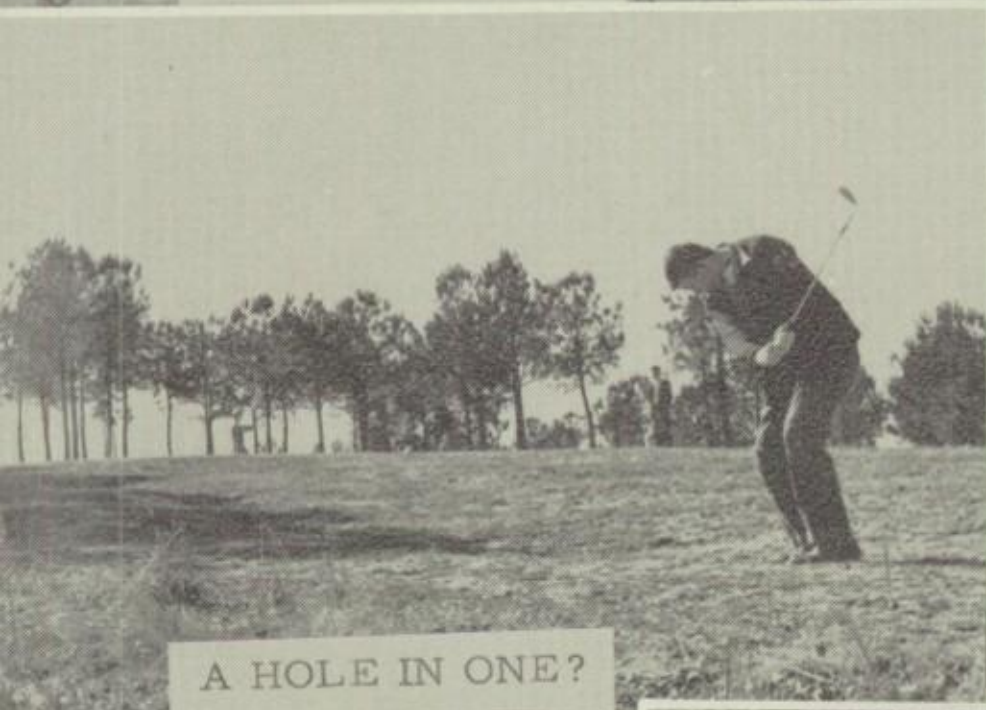




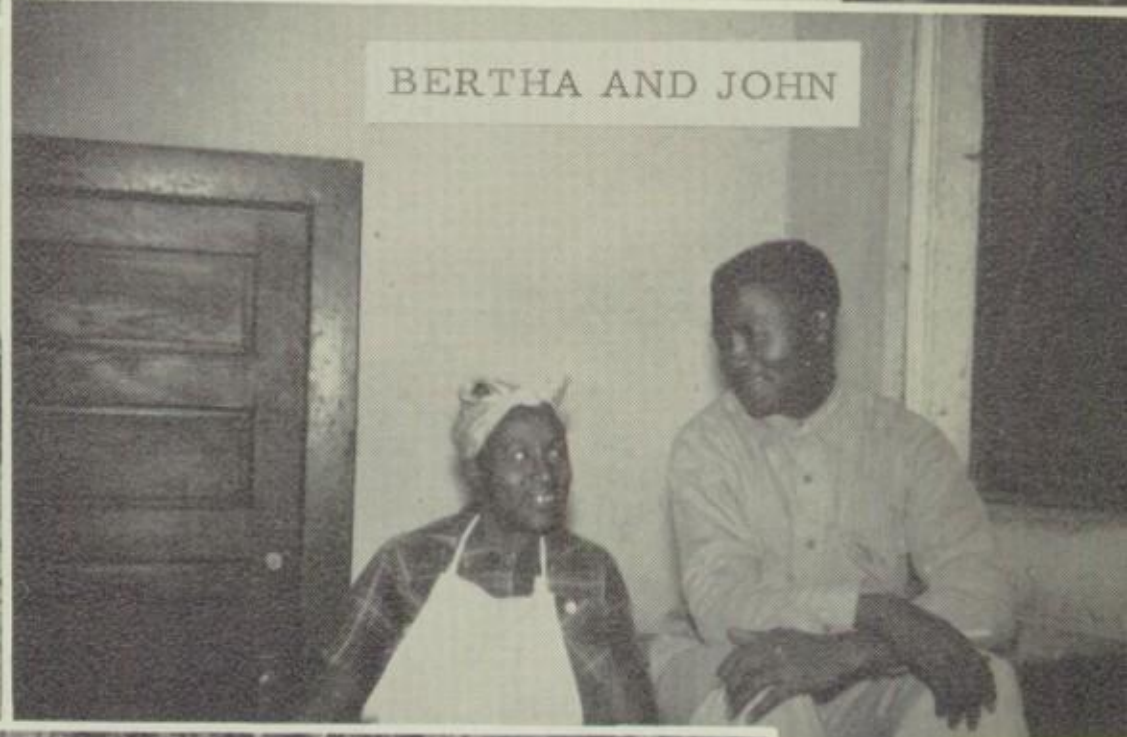
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OUR BUS DRIVERS



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JUST BEGINNING



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DON'T SHOOT!

GET HAPPY!



ON TO VICTORY!!







I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence  
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My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven  
and earth.

Psalm 121:1-2





















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